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INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

THE earliest volumes of "Country Correspondence" now extant among the records of Fort St. George are those relating to the years 1740, 1748, 1749, 1751 and 1753, the volumes relating to intervening years not being forthcoming. The next in the series, that for 1754, which is now printed, resembles its predecessors in all essential particulars. The letters which it contains are translations of those sent and received by the Government of Fort St. George to and from the various native powers in Southern India. The originals which were presumably either in Persian or in the vernaculars of Southern India have disappeared. The English versions are inscribed in large leather-bound volumes, about 17" by 11" in size. A photo-zincograph of the water-mark in the paper of which these volumes are composed was prefixed to the volume relating to the year 1753.

The same rule has been followed as in the case of previous volumes, viz., to print the documents as they stand, any omissions, corrections or conjectural emendations being enclosed in square brackets. The present volume has suffered less than some of its predecessors from the ravages of time and but few words are missing.

The political and military position in Southern India at the commencement of the year 1754 did not differ much from that which had prevailed all through the preceding year. The centre of the military operations was Trichinopoly which was held by Anwar-ud-din *alias* Muhammad Ali Khan, the Nawab of the Carnatic, and the English, while the Mysorean army with Morari Rao, the Mahratta commander, and the French were established close by at Srirangam. The Raja of Tanjore gave hesitating and intermittent support to the Nawab and the English, meanwhile conducting intrigues with the opposite side, and the Tondiman, now known as the Raja of Pudukkóttai, also adhered, but with greater consistency and fidelity, to the English and the Nawab. During the early part of the year several reverses occurred to the British cause, a detachment being cut up and the territory both of Tanjore and Pudukkóttai being ravaged by the marauding Mahrattas. On the 1st August, however, news was received that the French Government in Europe had superseded M. Dupleix and had sent out a Commission to arrange matters with the English, France and England being then at peace, and a suspension of arms for three months was soon afterwards agreed upon. Meanwhile, Morari Rao, finding his position at Srirangam unprofitable, agreed with the Nawab, in return for a considerable payment, to leave the Carnatic. After receiving the money the faithless Mahratta, instead of carrying out his agreement, proceeded to the Arcot country where he levied contributions from the Killadars and harried the people, carrying off the cattle and burning the villages. The Nawab's brother Abdul Wahab Khan, who had been left in charge of Arcot and the surrounding territory, was unable to do anything to check Morari and his marauding gangs.

As the year closed the Governor of Madras in the last letter included in this volume announced to his allies, the Nawab and the King of Tanjore, that he had agreed with the French to prolong the suspension of hostilities indefinitely. The Governor of Fort St. George throughout the year was Mr. Thomas Saunders (1750—1755).

The correspondence printed in this volume brings out in strong relief the helplessness of the several native powers and the commanding position which the French and English had in a few years established in the affairs of the peninsula. Without a stiffening of European troops, the native combatants were of little avail, while the vacillation and procrastination of the Indian leaders and their wavering and uncertain diplomacy rendered any stable political settlement impossible. The series of excuses and pretexts under which the Nawab's brother, Mahaphuz Khan, in spite of constant advice and urging from Fort St. George, put off for over six months his march from Arcot to Trichinopoly to join the Nawab is instructive; and the inability both of Mahaphuz Khan and Abdul Wahab to refrain from levying exactions from the various Killadars as soon as a chance occurred was no less marked than their powerlessness to protect the country from the Mahrattas.

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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

OF

1754

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. 1.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN. RECIEVED THE 3D JANRY. 1754.

I recieved your Honours Letter dated the 15th. on the 23d. of last Mo: and beg Leave to answer you as follows.

You was pleased to say that you wrote me lately and acquainted me that your Troops were ready to join me provided I would send you a Bill on Bukenzey for their Expences but that I inform'd you by an Answer that I would write to you by & by which I have not yet done. I must observe to you that you are well acquainted with my Circumstances and that of the Country, however I us'd my utmost Endeavours and before your Letter came wrote to Sampetroy to pay P. 5000 to you thro' the Means of Antazey Punt which I hope you have recd and sent the Troops to my assistance by this Time.

You desired me to send the Monthly Accots. &c. concerning the Company's Troops in different Forts in order to get these Accts, I lately sent People with strict Orders to the said Forts as soon as they bring them I shall send them to you as these Accts. are 18 Mos. old, it was the Reason of so much Delay to get them ready. In short except your Troops in Arcot, all the Others in different Forts were fully paid to this Time according to the Accts. sent by Sampetroy from the Company, particulars of which together with the Monthly Accts. shall be sent you by & by. As to the Accts. of the Treasure supposed to be what was found in the Fort of Arcot, it shall be remitted to you in a Particular Manner after the Country is settled and I return'd to Arcot.

You requested me to write to Sampetroy about finishing Ninar etc Accts. I lately wrote him on this subject, notwithstanding I have now wrote him a Letter which I send inclos'd. Please to order it to be deliver'd to him and insist upon him to clear this affair, if it is not finish'd send the said Ninar to this Place that I may get it settled.

You was pleased to say that I neglected the Nabobs Order in regard to the Payment of the Company's Debt, I shall not be negligent, Since my Arrival in the Country, I have been continually writing to you for a proper assistance to be sent which will enable me to punish the Enemy's and to take the Countrys from them and settle them, it will also enable me to receive the Tributes from the Killedars as also

from the rebellious Zemendars who will not even pay the reasonable Tribute without they are punish'd, should I collect these it may be in my Power to pay the Company and also to send Supplies to the Nabob. If you dont send me assistance the Disturbances increase in all Parts. What can I do ? I desire you now please to send a proper Force together with a sensible Sardar whom you'll give strict Orders to be agreable to me and act in conjunction with me, You'll also order him to bear me Company wherever I go & to act by my Direction. If this is done I shall not only be able to collect Money from several good Districts now in possession of the Enemy, but will receive the Tributes from the Zamendars and Killedars to pay the Company and to send to the Nabob. On your sending the Assistance, was I to neglect setling the Country and in collecting the Money, then I am to be blamed,—If I am enabled to do according as I write I shall merit your Commendation and good Pleasure as well as the Nabobs, My whole Dependan[ce] is upon your Assistance, I look upon you as my elder Brother the Nabob. I am in hopes that some affairs will be manag'd by me which will gain you a good Name and your Protection will be talk'd of in this World, You'll assist me in such a manner that I may act to your satisfaction in every Respect. I have now deliver'd Terpasoor Country to Walley Mahomed Cawn on Condition that (after what has been already received is deducted) he pays the remainder in full to the Company in every Crop, I have sent a Saned for the Management of that Country in the Name of the said Walley Mahomed Cawn to Sampetroy, I hope affairs will be managed accordingly, by the blessing of God on your sending the proper assistance, I shall pay the Money to the Company according as you may desire, make yourself perfectly easy on this Head.

You mention'd to me that as the Fort of Chetput was possess'd by the Circar I should place a Guard there telling me that there were 9 English Men and that if I would order their Pay and Betta in a proper Manner they will be ready to serve Circar, let me inform you that I settl'd the said Fort according to the best of my Knowledge and Ability but as it is situated at the Edge of the Bounds and near the French, I desired you by repeated Letters to send 25 Soldiers and 200 of the Company's Seapoys to the said Fort, & told you that I would settle the affairs there in my Presence and that I should halt at the said Fort for 3 Days in Expectation of the said Force, instead of which I halted 12 Days this Day being the 29th of Decemr. in the same Expectation. The sooner you send it the better. The French at Gengey are collecting Forces with a design to attack the said Fort as soon as I remove from it, I order'd 100 Rupees to be given to the 9 English Men, as an Enam to provide themselves with Linnen and got the Killedair to pay them the same sum on Accot: of their Betta and wages. The Killedar has strict orders from me to pay them their Wages &c. every Month. The English Men were encourag'd in every Respect, you may be easy on that Head. They were appointed to command the Guns on the Fort. Continue to write me of your Health that it may give Joy.

What can I say more?

No. 2.

From Abdull Bob Cawn recieved the 3d of Janry : 1754.

By the blessing of God Mr. Pigou has acted very agreable to me ever since the Arrival of your strict orders to him, I am very well pleas'd with him, I desire you'll on your Part shew your Favours and write him a Letter of encouragement which will give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

No. 3.

To the King of Tanjore dated Jan. 4th. 1754.

The Day after I wrote you I had the Pleasure to receive a Letter from you wherein you say that the Dallaway and Morara had wrote you but that they could not be depended on, that you had sent Gadderow to the Nabobs Assistance that

the Morattas had enter'd your Country that Morara's Father was dead, and twas reported he would return to his Country and that Ballazerow might soon be expected here, The King of Mysore is rich, his sole Desire is Tretchenopoly, he has spent large sums to gain it but has been disappointed. I am of opinion he will persist in his Scheme and not be satisfied with any Country's being mortgaged to him his Dependance is on his Money by which he has the Assistance of Morarow and some certain People but by the blessing of God I hope they will meet with Shame. I have heard also that Morarow will go to his Country I wish he would but much doubt it, you might expect the Enemy would endeavour to plunder your Country you know well that they have long ago intended to take it from you they have indeed endeavoured to amuse you with smooth Letters and Promises but this was only to effect their Designs the better, I desire you will make yourself easy, I have already sent some Officers and am now sending some men, Major Lawrence will join you, be steady and firm in your Resolution, join your Troops to the Nabob consult with Major Lawrence when I dont doubt but the Enemy will be defeated and you [will] be happy, M^{r}· Dupliex has wrote me several Letters about Peace I will hearken to nothing except he first grants what I have demanded. You see I am sincere and faithfull in the Agreement I have made with you, do you perform yours in the same manner which will be a means to obtain what you desire let me constantly have the pleasure of hearing of your Health.

No. 4.

To Mootas Alli Cawn dated Jan 4th· 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter and am glad to observe that your Intentions are as mine to maintain a strict Friendship with the Nabob this will certainly conduce to your Happiness, to convince you that I am sincere and think your Regard to the English so, I here Promise in the name of the Nabob that you enjoy your Country and Priviledges in the same manner as you did and [*sic*] the old Nabob Anwerde Cawn Bahaudar and desire you will make yourself easy and regard this as a Letter of Indulgence, I am oblig'd to you for your Civility's to my Officers and People you may send them here on Parole that they never act against you, by this means the Friendship between us will increase and there will be no distinction, as it will be a great Satisfaction to me to hear so I desire you will constantly write me of your Health.

No. 5.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Jan. 4th· 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter wherein you say Cap^{t}· Pigou acts agreable to you. I greatly approve his Conduct in so doing. In a former Letter you complain'd to me that he had injur'd you therefore I must desire you will in direct Terms write me if he has made you ample Satisfaction for the Injury you complained of. May Happiness attend you

No. 6.

From Nabob Anaverdy Cawn Bahadur dated the 26th· of Decb^{r}·
and rec'd the 5th· of January 1754.

M^{r}· Thomas Cooke acquainted me by a Letter that Pertapa Sing spoke to him about finishing Morarey's Affair in the manner following.

It is necessary to put an end to Morarey's Troubles whose Demand is 3 Lack of Rupees it ought to be agreed to pay him a hundred and fifty thousand Rupees in a limited Time, Tho I undergo great Hardship still I will endeavour to pay fifty thousand Rupees you should therefore get 100 thousand rupees on your Part.—This was the Kings Discourse with M^{r}· Cooke, Your Honour is well acquainted with my Circumstances as several Lacks has been already laid out by the Company it would be improper to trouble you any further, however as I have no other Protector of my

affairs than your Honour I am necessitated to acquainted you that if it is in your Power you may order 100 thousand Rupees in ready Specia and get a Bill of Satisfaction from Bukenzeas shop in Madrass binding yourself as a Security for 150 thousand Rupees in the name of Manakezey Manager of the shop in Tanjore to be paid to Morarey on his going to Balagat Country if this is done the Disturbances will cease Morarey's seperation will not only weaken the Mayasorians to the highest Pitch but it will put an end to the troubles in the Country. The paym^{t} of the Money which the Savacar may advance may be easily order'd upon the Districts of Arcot &c.

Two thousand Horses of Morarey has been detached towards Tanjore which are plundering that Country for which Reason he apply'd for assistance, As the King is giving his assistance and acting in Conjunction with us it is necessary that we should give our assistance to him in like Manner, I hope you'll think of his Service and write to Major Lawrence as soon as possible that he may assist the King you'll also write to the Officers in Devicot to assist him, as the People and Stores from Fort S^{t} David & Devicot must pass and repass thro' the Kings Limits it will be advantageous to us to join him. In case an Assistance is not sent and he be under a necessity of concluding a Friendship with the Enemy it will be very dangerous. In your former Letters you intimated to me that by all means it was advisable to keep the King and Tondaman in our Interest and Friendship which was accordingly done, When these are molested it is necessary that we should assist them. As maraver is an Enemy to Tondaman, Tondaman requests of me to assist him with 200 Seapoys and some soldiers which will strike a Terror in Maraver he is preparing his own Troops if you'll also write to the Major on his Acco^{t} it will be better

The French Officers who were taken Prisoners remain in the Fort here as also several hundred french Men it is improper to let these two Sects remain in the same Fort let me know your Pleasure on this Head by & by—

By the blessing of God you have a large Body of the English Troops, if you send a proper Detachment at this Juncture with Guns &c. Stores it will be attended with Benefit for the Enemy are in a weak Condition.

Sydoo Makatoomely Cawn has sent Letters from Tanjore, several Paragraphs of which I send inclos'd in Antazey Punts Letter who will communicate it to you.

No. 7.

From Nabob Mahomed Mohayen Cawn *alias* Tapherelly dated the 20th of Dec^{r}. 1753 and rec'd the 6th of Jan^{ry}. 1754.

I suppose your Honour has heard of the War occasion'd in these Parts by the Persuasion of the Wicked French a particuler of which is that when Ramdoss Punt had the management of Affairs, the French procured an order to destroy the Factorys at Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Woopera, and Madapalam and sent it hither but I in regard to the Friendship to the Chief of Vizagapatam neglected the said Order and saved the Factories which enrag'd the French against me and they persuaded Viziaram Zemeador, of Cheacacole Circar to raise a Disturbance in the Country, as the Seapoys in my Service were negligent they got the better of us Once afterwards by the blessing of God I collected a proper Army and put an end to the Disturbance but the French are increasing their Hatred daily, and they have as great Interest at Court, my Inclination is to quell the Disturbance in this Country as you are of the same Mind I write this to tell you that I shall flourish your Factories at Vizagapatam, Ingram, Woopera, and Madapalem as usual or in a better manner delivering the Villages round the said Factories to your Gomastas, I hope therefore You'll befriend in supplying me with 500 of the English Soldiers Let their Wages amount one with another to 20 Rupees each, You'll send them upon a Ship to Ingeram that they may join me from that Place, I shall pay them whatever Wages you may order, If the French are driven out of this Country and their Places taken, it will not only be better for your Factories but will lay me under an Obligation may Happiness attend you.

No. 8.

A Copy of a Letter

FROM NABOB MAHOMED MOHAYEN CAWN *alias* TAPHERELLY CAWN TO M^R. WASTCOTT DATED THE 27^TH. OF DECB^R. 1753 AND REC'D THE 7^TH OF JAN^RY. 1754.

When Ramdoss Punt had the management of Affairs Mons Bosey procur'd Salabet Jung's Order in my Name, to destroy your Factories at Ingeram, Vizagapatam, Woopera, and Madapalem, and sent it hither to me but I out of regard to your Friendship did not concern myself in that Affair but on the Contrary sav'd the Factories this induc'd him to entertain a great Hatred to me he at sundry times accus'd me on that Acco^t. before Salabat Jung and his Ministers, Affairs at Court at this Juncture are upon a different Turn, which is, The French have a great Interest there, for which and certain others Reasons Sydoo Lascar Cawn, Meer Mahomed Hussan Cawn, Saf Shacan Cawn & Ministers there withdrew themselves aside from the management of Affairs. Mons^r. Bosey took an advantage of that, & obtained Bazamandrew & Circars on Acco^t. of the Payment of his Troops I have therefore resolved to punish the French agreable to the Directions of the Ministers and to that end and Purpose I have enlisted or gather'd together both old and new Horsemen, 5000, together with 20000 Peons, All Zameadars of Mustephenager, Murtazanagar, Yalore, and Razamandrem together with Viziaram, and Vangole, who took an Oath of Union for to beat the French and hinder them for taking the management, I have sent my Family to Vizagapatam and wrote to Nabob Rustem Jung Bahadar *alias* the Governour Saunders for to supply me with 500 of the English Soldiers and to let their Wages amount one with another to Rupees 20 each, I wrote him also to supply me with her Mortors with their Necessaries and sent these Letters to him thro the means of Sydoo Phattalley Cawn, You'll also write to the Governour of my Friendship and of the Union of the Zeameadars in general as also of a large Force and desire him, to send his Assistance to me with all possible speed, By the Blessing of God I shall give my Assistance in flourishing the Factories at Ingeram, Vizagapatam, Woopera, and Madapalam, as you may desire, The villages lying about the Factories shall be let out to Rent to the Factors.

What can I say more ?

In Japherelly's Cawn's own hand, Send your People to Woopera, and Madapalam, to be settled in the Factories there.

No. 9.

A Copy of a Letter to M^r. John Andrews Chief at Madapalam.

I write this to acquaint you that the management of Cheacacole, Razamander, Yalore and Mustephanagar Circars was confer'd on Mons^r. Bosey by the Nabob Salabat Jung. Mons^r. Pannon the Chief Narasapore, has wrote me a Letter on that Acco^t. a Copy of which I send enclos'd for your Perusal which will give you a full Acco^t. of Affairs, As these People will now govern the Country they will molest the Factories under the Governours Direction in these Parts, You'll therefore be very carefull and diligent in your own place should I join you on Acco^t. of the old Friendship between us they will be displeas'd with me and Salabet Jung will be angry, I write this by way of Friendship you may write to the Governour and settle your Place on a firm Footing.

What can I say more ?

Since writing the above I have rec'd a Letter from Mons^r. Moracen Governour of Mechelapatam, together with a Copy of a Saned and a Letter in my name under Salabat Jungs Seal Copies of which I send herewith, for your Perusal which will give you a full account of Matters.

No. 10.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D JAN: THE 9TH. 1754.

Antazey Punt acquainted me by a Letter that he was ready to pay five Thousand Pagodas to the Company on Acco^{t}: of the Expence of the Troops design'd for my Assistance you have hitherto waited for the Money which I suppose is paid you by this Time, I believe their is no more Difficulties to plead so that I am of Opinion you have by this Time detach'd your troops to my Assistance, if not you'll on Receipt of this Letter send them to me with all possible Speed as you are favourably inclined to assist me with your Troops, You'll be so kind likewise to give a strict Order to the Officer who may command them to act agreable to me in every Respect and not presume to ask for your Orders a fresh, if you order it to be manag'd so I shall with a contented Heart endeavour to raise Money from the Palligars and Killedars in order to pay the Company and the Nabob for his Expence I shall enable myself to discharge what I am indebted to the Seapoys.

What can I say more?

In Abdull Bob Cawn's own Hand.

I am impatient to receive the Assistance of your Troops, Please to send them as soon as possible.

No. 11.

TO VIZERAM RAWSE DATED JAN: 11TH: 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter with a Copy of Sanud &^{c} said to be given Mons^{r} Bussey for certain Countrys I suppose being in distress for Money to pay his Army he assign'd over these Countrys for the Payment of their Troops but not to be enjoy'd by them afterwards. I have wrote to the Chiefs of the several Factory's to be carefull they will always shew a perfect Regard to the Friendship that has so long been between us, I must inform you the Nabobs Army are continually fighting here but yet the Enemy still keeps the Field, which prevents my sending any Forces to these Chiefs at pres^{t} when I have an Opportunity I shall do it. I am of Opinion, a certain People have taken the Advantage of the Difference between Nabob Mohayen Cawn and You, if Matters could be accomodated between you two it would be the readiest Way to disappoint them in their Views I shall acquaint Nabob Annawardecawn Bahauder with what you have wrote me and when I hear from him write you again. Continue to write me of your Health.

I desire you will shew your Favour to our Factorys M^{r} Andrews at Bandermalanka & M^{r} Wastcott will write you some certain Matters which I hope you will regard.

No. 12.

TO NABOB MOHAYEN CAWN DATED JAN: THE 11TH. 1754.

I have had the Pleasure to receive the Letter you sent me from a long Time there has been a perfect Friendship between us the Regard shewn to our Factories in those unsettled Times I look upon as a great Instance of Yours and shall be always mindfull of it, it gave me great Concern when I heard of the Difference between you and Vizeram Rawse, as there are wicked People who are always ready to make their advantage of it, it is my opinion that if you and He are Friends it will prevent the Designs of your Enemys and be a means of Happiness to the People as there was formerly a great Friendship between you, I hope you will again honour him with your Esteem which I believe he would shew a great Regard for, this Country is still involved in War which is the Reason on I cannot at pres^{t} send a force to our Settlements at the Norward, I desire you will shew your Favour to the Chiefs of them and look upon what they may write you as from me. I shall always regard your Affairs as my own write me constantly of your Happiness and wherein I can be of service to you what can I say more?

No. 13.

FROM SAKOZEY NAICK RECEIV'D THE 12TH. OF JANRY. 1754.

I received your Letter and observe the Contents, you was pleas'd to say that you had acquainted Ramaran Vakal with the Necessary, I am sensible that you are supplying him with Necessarys according to his Request. You are very kind to his Majesty, whose Government is attended with Justice and which supports a great Number of Deities and Braminys as you are sensible of this, you are acting for its Welfare you are very kind likewise to me all which I understood clearly by Ramaraw's Letters. God will continually grant Victories to those who are acting for general Happiness, These will never be disappointed in their Designs, on the contrary they will freely and certainly meet with Success in their Undertakings. I regard your Affairs as my own and give my assistance concerning them as Times may require, I suppose Ramaraw has acquainted you with it, it shall be continued in future. We spoke to Manozey about sending an Army to the Nabob, but he seem'd unwilling to it, I have therefore addressed myself to his Majesty and sent Rawsail meaning Gadaraw with the Army who are arriv'd at Tarcatpelly, on this, the Enemys imagined that if the said Army was joined it would greatly strengthen Affairs then it will be impossible to support themselves they therefore thought fit to disturb the Country before the Army join'd & by which they thought they would not only hinder the Army but would put a stop to the Provisions of the Fort, and in order to effect this they detach'd about 1500 of the choicest Horses who began to set the whole Villages on Fire and to kill those whom they met and to do other Injuries which oblig'd the Merchants, Savacars, and Ploughmen leave the Country, on this, Manozey was detach'd with an Army to punish them, who follow'd them and attack'd them at Combogonam and kill'd a great many of the Enemys Men and some of their Horses were made prize of; Thus they met with Defeat and took Shelter retreated at Corical, If Manozey had a good Army with him he would not have suffer'd them to escape to the said Place but on the contrary he would have destroy'd them, As the main part of the Army lay at Tarcatpelly under the Command of Godaraw as aforesaid the Enemy found means to escape, We wrote this to the Nabob and Major and desir'd them to send a Force of Europeans and Seapoys as soon as possible that we might join them to Manoze to punish the Maratters, then we told them we could easily march with a good Force and attack the Enemy's large Army but it was to no purpose. It had been represented to the Enemy that Manozey had defeated their Troops which they sent as aforesaid, upon which they sent a Reinforcement of some Horse which were alarm'd by the Army at Tarcatpelly whereupon Gadaraw with the Rest of the Sardars followed them and defeated them, they kill'd a great many of their Men and seiz'd their Horses. One or Two of the Enemy's Zamadars were taken Prisoners, this Action enrag'd Morarey to the highest pitch who declar'd with Threats that he would march with the whole of his Army; In case a large Army of the Enemy arrives in our Country we must have all our Troops in the same Place to face them, The Troops which has already enter'd the Country are not yet weakn'd. We are under a necessity of sending some small Guards to different Places or Towns, These Considerations induced us to recall Gadaraw from Tarcatpelly, as soon as we destroy the Enemys Troops who enter'd the Country, we shall detach the Army at Terchenepelly, We shall not value the Enemy. because of your Assistance to us, As the whole Affair of his Majesty depends entirely upon your Honour, We are clear of all manner of Apprehensions, His Majesty is glad being well assur'd of your Friendship, as your Honour has begun this Affair, you may observe that nothing shall be wanting to dispatch it, We have enlisted 5 or 7 hundred horsemen upon this Business and undergo great Hardships on Account of certain Debts, however our Desire is that you may meet with Success in your Undertakings, in which Case the Country will be settled, as you protect the said Country it is not in the Power of any Enemy to hurt it, every thing must be managed by the help of this Country, if it is injur'd nothing can be transacted with Success, You are Ingenious. The Firelocks you sent are too light and not fit to for War, some of them are spoiled, please to send heavy or good Ones for a particular Account of Matters I refer you to his Majesty's Letter and the

Verbal Account of Ramaraw. I regard your Affairs as my own and dispatch them, I need not urge much to you on this Head.

The following Lines were wrote by a different Hand.

I have nothing further to add, continue your Favour and Friendship to me.

No. 14.

FROM PERTAPA SING KING OF TANJORE REC'D THE 12TH OF JANRY. 1754.

I receiv'd your friendly Letter and observe the Contents, you was pleas'd to intimate that the Enemy had lost 1000 white Men of which I was sensible that it had certainly weakned them and that you had receiv'd Moñsr. Dupleixs Answer to your Letter and that he has no Inclination to settle the Country. I must tell you that you are a Gentleman of good Reputation and you'll meet with Success in all your Undertakings, You desire a general Happiness and your Aim is upon a good Name for which Reason you sent to acquaint. Dupleix that if Safety was his Aim he would have hearkned to your Advice, he has already met with his Desert for what he has done, and will meet with the same in Future. You was pleas'd to intimate also that if Provisions are put in Turchenepelly, We may be at Liberty to follow the Enemy. I must remind you that in regard to the Provisions I paid in ready Money before. The Major has bought Provisions and is continually buying them which are convey'd to the said Place. I must inform you that lately the Enemy enter'd my Country and plunder'd it entirely. They are not only setting the Villages on Fire but are killing the People, their hostilities are so great that it is impossible for me to write them herein to you. Their Troops took Shelter at Corical from which place They are sending out different Bodys each consisting of 20 or 25 Horse-men who make great Havock, set the Country on Fire and ruin'd it. The whole Affair depends upon this Country for the Provisions must be supply'd by the said Country. The Plowmen, Merchants, and Savacars have left the said Country. We cant get Grain to be brought even to this Town since it is so, how will they be able to get Provisions convey'd to the said Place? I detach'd Manozey with an Army and with an Order to punish and expell the Enemy who are disturbing the Country he follow'd them and attack'd them at Combagonam kill'd some of them and some Horses were made prize of, some Men in my Army were also kill'd as the Enemy had a larger Force, they march'd safe to Corical at which Place they took Shelter and are plundering the whole Country. The French at Coricol are supplying them with everything. I receiv'd a Letter from Manozey wherein he acquaints me as follows.

The Maraters are sending out small Bodies of their Troops to plunder the Country I do not know how or where to go and attack them. There are 3 different roads and they may easily make their Escape thro' any of those Roads I have but a small Army with me, should I divide and post them in two or three different Places They would in all likelihood fall upon one of those Guards.

The best thing to be done is to expell the Enemy's Horse from the Country and make it clear, we must get both Provisions and Money for Expences from the said Country which is my only Estate, most part of which is already ruin'd & there is but a small Part left which is in danger of being plunder'd on Accot. of Delays. I sent Word to the Nabob & Major in a most pressing Manner but they have not sent their Assistance. No Assistance as yet is arriv'd from Devicot or Fort St. David. Manozey has a small Army with him, The Enemy don't make any Accot. of them. Sheu'd I send Gadaraw to Turchenepelly while the Maratters Troops are in my Country it will prevent us from getting Provisions, in which case it will be impossible to maintain the Army. It is therefore necessary for the whole of my Army to be gather'd together in one Place in order to march thro' the Country and to attack them with a greater Force to drive them out of the Country, in which case the Country would be sav'd which would be a means to get Provisions, collect the Rents, enable us to pay the Army and support it, I have therefore sent for Gadaraw at the Head of the Army from Tarcatpelly, This, and the Army with Manozey

shall march jointly to attack & expell the Maraters then the whole Army shall proceed to the Fort of Terchenepelly to oppose & punish the Enemy. While Gadaraw lay at Tarcatpelly, Morarey detach'd about 1000, or 1200 Horse from Serangam to the assistance of his Horsemen who had already enter'd the Country in sight of this Fort, on hearing this Gadaraw and Arnozey Bosala follow'd them and attack'd them, great many of Morareys Men were kill'd and several of his Horses seiz'd, some of his Jamadars and seapoys were taken Prisoners this Victory was owing to the Mercy of God, I thought fit to acquaint you with this Good News. Thus Morareys Troops who enter'd the Country as aforesaid were disappointed in receiving the above Reinforcement, Morarey was enrag'd because his Troops were defeated as aforesaid and he declar'd he would march with the whole Army to attack the Troops under the Command of Manozey. I must repeat that the Nabob and the Major sent no Assistance to me. The People at Devicot did not assist Manozey if they had he would have destroy'd the Marata Troops who enter'd the Country as above by this Time, as the Country was in Danger of being entirely ruin'd I thought it necessary to send for the Troops from Tarcatpelly to detach them to protect the Country also I thought fit to acquaint you with the foregoing

You was pleas'd to say that if Affairs are accomodated with the Delaway on good Terms, it will be well, some time ago I sent and acquainted the Delaway very fully of that Acco^{t}. Your Honour is now speaking very much about it but he wont come to any good Terms nor will he desist of his Malice. If a Peace is concluded it will procure a general Happiness. I am sensible that you'll use your Endeavours in this Business I depend upon you in every Respect. You'll be mindfull to promote the Welfare of this Country you desir'd me to send you News of Balazeyraw & Salabet Jung, let me inform you that a Peace was concluded between them on this, Balazeyraw formed his Camp on the 10th. Day of Sept^{r}. Feast to come to these Parts I have been informed that Salabet Jung is also coming & he threatens the People at Serangapatam very much. If I hear any thing further I shall communicate it to you. I receiv'd the Firelocks you sent me but they were not fit for the Business I design'd them for, I got Sakozey Naick to write you the Particular thereof who I suppose will give you a clear Account, continue to write to me of your Health which will give me Joy.

What can I say more?

No. 15.

FROM THE KING OF TANJORE RECEIV'D THE 13TH OF JAN^{RY}. 1754.

Morareys Troops enter'd my Country with a Resolution to plunder it. On this, I detach'd Manozey with an Army but as the Enemys had a superiour Force they enter'd into a Method to divide ten or twenty Horses in a Body that they might make Incursions in different Parts to plunder it, which they did accordingly, ruin'd the Country and kill'd the People. As Delay will procure an entire Ruin to the Country it was resolv'd to attack the Enemy with a good Army and to that End and Purpose I recalld Gadaraw with the Army from Tarcatpelly. I sent a Reinforcement to Manozey from this Place, when this arriv'd near to join him there happen'd an Engagement between Manozey and the Enemys Troops in which about 200 Horse with a Sardar found means to escape, the Rem^{r}. of their Horses, Seapoys, and Lungaries, or (common Robbers) were cut off, or taken Prisoners some of them were drown'd in a River there. Two Sardars were kill'd, Bava Cawn Carvat with a Substantial Jamadar and Rasaldar were taken Prisoners. Thus the whole of the Enemy's Troops were ruin'd. The Watchers and Palligars are pursuing the two hundred Horses which made their Escape as aforesaid, I am of Opinion they can't escape safe; Morarey sent a Reinforcement of 5 or 700 Horses to those whom he sent to make Incursions in the Country which was alarm'd to Gadaraw then at Tarcatpelly. On this, He and Aranozey Bosala follow'd them, attack'd and defeated them some of them were kill'd and others taken Prisoners several of their Horses were made Prize of, The Troops who enter'd the Country were defeated by Manozey

as aforesaid; This is a great Victory & was owing to the Mercy of God. May he grant you Joy on this Account. This affair was finish'd according as you desir'd, all other Affairs will meet with the like Success in future, my Country was very much distress'd there being no substance in it, The Inhabitants and Amuldars who left the Country must return to cultivate it thereby to supply my People for their Expences and provide me with Provisions. The People are pressing on Account of their Wages and as they are out in the Field I should pay them in advance. The Country was my only Estate which is ruin'd, as aforesaid. I depend upon your word of Friendship and am therefore clear of all manner of Apprehensions. Continue to write to me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more?

No. 16.

FROM SAKOZEY NAICK RECEIV'D 13TH. JANRY. 1754.

Several Letters has been sent lately to you which I suppose gave you a full Accot. of Matters. We acquainted you that the Enemy's Troops were making Incursions in the Country and that Manozey has been detach'd with an Army and that a Reinforcement was sent to him. I must now inform you that before this Reinforcement join'd him He and the Enemys Troops encounterd each other and the Enemys met with a total Defeat, about two hundred of their Horse made their Escape without Arms some of them were drown'd in a River and others were robb'd of every thing they had. Thus their Troops were quite ruin'd, of which his Majesty was pleas'd to write to you at large. The Country was very much distress'd The Inhabitants & Amuldars who left the Country must return to enable us to collect the Rents and settle it, it will take a Month or 6 Weeks, Every thing depends upon the help of this Country on accot: of the Expedition expences are increas'd. We undergo great Hardships on Accot. of the Creditors Debts and Seapoys pay, which is Impossible for me to express herein to you. By your Honours Assistance We make no Accot. of any thing but on the Contrary We are clear of all manner of Apprehensions. Your Honour is ingenious. I have nothing further to add. Continue your Favour & Affection to me.

No. 17.

TO NABOB ANAWERDE CAWN BAHAUDAR DATED JANRY. 16TH. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your several Letters which were all deliver'd me at the same Time with Copys of what wrote by your Vackeel at Tanjore although the Enemy have been so often beat yet they continue active and bent upon their wicked Scheme. The Dallaway still insists upon his old Terms either his Expse. or the Fort, the French in my Opinion will not hearken to Peace and are at Present endeavouring to draw off the King of Tanjore, they have made him fair Promises but as he did not hearken to them but continued firm in his alliance, they are now trying to intimidate him by carrying the War into and plundering his Country, as he has always maintain'd, a strict Friendship with us we should on this occasion assist him to our utmost I have sent a Detatchment of Men & Officers to Devecota and wrote to Major Lawrence to take such measures as he judges necessary. The having this Prince in our alliance and throwing a quantity of Provisions into Tretchenopoly are what at present require our greatest Attention. I observe what you say concerning Morarow. Mr. Cooke writes me He will not stand to that Agreement but if he would though my Regard to you is sincere yet is impossible for me to advance 1 Lack of Rupees and get the Soucars to give 150000 more on my Security having not sufficient to defray the Expences. A very large tract of Country is under the Government of Abdul Bob Cawn and Nizabulla Cawn which with good Management would enable them to supply you with a much larger Sum which I hope they will do. I have wrote to the Major concernig the Prisoners, Sampatrow has settled the Tripoty Renters Accounts and according to those Accounts I shall demand the Money, Vizeram Raws has wrote me concerning some certain Affairs which Antajee Punt will communicate to you. I shall assist Abdul Bob Cawn but as there is no Enemy

this Way tis needless to put you to the Expence of Troops till there is occasion for them. Sampatrow represented to me that the Killedar of Veloor was willing to enter into a Friendship with you, agreable to his sentiments therefore I sent the Killedar a Letter of Indulgence that he might be easy on the same Terms as granted him by Nabob Annawerdecawn I have not yet received his Answer when I do it shall be communicated to you. Nothing further than what I have already advis'd you has pass'd with Vencatraw give me your Opinion whether it would not be better to send a proper Person to negociate with the King of Mysore himself as the Dallaway is entirely in the Power of certain People. it is reported Salabad Jung intends to march this way this I look upon as very uncertain, but if it should so happen it is necessary we should consider well the Measures we are to pursue. I desire therefore you will communicate your Thoughts on this Subject to Major Lawrence and write them to me let me hear constantly of your Health.

No. 18.

To the King of Tanjore receiv'd Jan: 16th: 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letters and congratulate you on the Success Gadderou & Manajee have had over the Enemy. This is the last Effort the Enemy had to make and as it has been attended with Shame by the Blessing of God you will be happy. As I wrote you I have sent a Detachment to Devacota and desir'd the Major to concert such Measures as may conduce to the safety of your Country the most material thing to be done is putting a quantity of Provisions into Tretchenopoly. I know you have fulfill'd your Agreement in advancing some Money. Major Lawrence will pay for it. What I am to desire of you is to assist them in getting it, and as this is for the general Good I don't doubt but you will readily do it. Monsr. Dupliex does not seem inclin'd to comply with my Terms, If he does not I shall break of my Conference with him as it was on the Nabobs and your Acct. I enter'd into it and will hearken to nothing but what may be for your Happiness, a certain Person has wrote to his Country he would take Tretchenopoly and Tanjore I saw this in the Letter of an Officer which fell into my Hands, but I dont think the losing 1000 Men in three Months, being continually beat with the Loss of their Cannon, &c., is the way to do it The Enemy with their continual ill success are dispirited and will not fight, the Nabob and you have an Army of brave Troops and good Officers consult with Major Lawrence without Loss of time and let the Army act where their Presence is necessary when nothing can prevent your being victorious. The Dallaway is weak and obstinate he has spent immense Treasure and will still fling away more not considering that a certain People are making him their Dupe to do their own Business. Mr. Cooke writes me Morarow flies off from his Proposals so that Affair drops. I don't thing Salabad Jung will come this Way and believe Ballazerow would not have come to an Accomodation with him had not the French Troops been sent for. I believe also that so soon as they move, he will again break it. I have supply'd Ramarow with Salt Petre and Lead with P. 300 here are several Horses but none I believe good enough for you. as I think Affairs of Consequence should be secret, my Writer only knows the contents of my Letters to you and as Princes have always bad as well as good Men about his Person I would advise you to be cautious, and conduct your Affairs with the greatest Secrecy possible—may you enjoy the greatest Happiness—of which let me constantly have the Pleasure of hearing.

No. 19.

To Abdul Bob Cawn dated Jan. 16th. 1754.

I have rec'd your several Letters. I suppose you are well acquainted with Affairs at Tretchenopoly. The Nabob, the King of Tanjore have wrote me the Morattoes had made incursions into the Tanjore Country and desir'd I would send a Reinforcement as I look upon it that the Nabobs Happiness depends upon the Success there I have done it—you write me to send a Detachment to you for the Expences of which you

have order'd 5000 Pag^{s}· had I done this when you first desir'd it. that Money would have been expended—and I don't yet hear that any Enemy has appear'd—I have but few Men to send abroad and must therefore employ them in such Manner as they may be most serviceable to the Nabobs affairs—when occasion require I will do my utmost to support you—I wait for the Accounts you promis'd to send me and desire you will forward them with Expedition that I may settle them—Happiness attend you.

No. 20.

To Nazar Mahomed Killedar of Chittaput dated Jan. 16th· 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter and am pleas'd to observe that your Friendship for the Nabob was great and I hope you will be happy. Abdul Bob Cawn has wrote me very favourably of you and seems inclin'd to promote your Welfare he mention'd to me some Concerns of Yours at Surat which I shall not fail to desire the English Chief there to assist your People in. The English you have at Chittaput are good People I dont doubt but they will be agreable to you and that you will be favourable to them Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 21.

To Kayedar Cawn Sarwaney Nephew to Chillumbrum Phousdar dated January the 16th· 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter and am sorry for the Situation your Uncle is in by the cruel Treatment of the Enemy. The Fortune of War is always doubtfull and when we met with ill Success and are in the Power of the Enemy, We must bear our Lot with Patience till an happy Day come and relieve us, this I hope will not be long you are sensible I have a strict regard for the Frindship of the Nabob of Cuddepah and have shewn it in protecting Pallum Cotah and when a proper Opportunity offer will do the same in regard to Chillumbrum — therefore make yourself easy and write me constantly of your Affairs.

No. 22.

To Succojee Naigue dated Jan. 16th· 1754.

I have rec'd your Letters and observe the Contents the Several Letters receiv'd from the King and you I have constantly answerd, twas a particular Satisfaction to me to hear of the Success of Gadderow and Monajee over the Enemy, you'l find I have sent a Detachment of brave Officers and Men to Devccota and wrote the Major to consult with the King proper Measures to distress the Enemy and I dont doubt but I shall soon hear that they are punish'd and the King happy I have wrote the King fully on all Affairs who I know communicates everything to you, Ramrow has been supply'd with Salt Petre Lead and Money I desire you will continue your Favour to my People at Tanjore and look upon their Business as your own as there is no Difference between the King, You and me. I always think of him and You in this Manner continue to write me of your Health, and wherein I can be of service to you.

No. 23.

From Abdul Bob Cawn receiv'd the 13th of Jan^{ry}· 1754.

I write this to acquaint you that Sydoo Phattally Cawn and Hazey Mahomed Mohasan maintain'd a Friendship with me and the Nabob from a long time. Nasar Mahomed Cawn, Son to the said Hazey Mahomed Mohasan, submitted lately to us thro' the Means of the said Syddo Phattally Cawn and deliver'd up the Fort of Chetpat, which enrag'd the French Governour at Pondicherry against them. The said

Sydoo Phattally Cawn and Hazey Mahomed Mohasan have Houses and part of their Familes in Surat, It is very probable that the French Governour may write to the President at his Factory at Surat to destroy their Houses and stop their People which makes me desire you'll write to the chief at Surat to assist the said Sydoo Phattally Cawn and Hazey Mahomed Mohasans People there in every Respect and in such Manner that it may not be in the power of the French Factor there to molest them jointly with the Mutteseddy or Moguls Officer at that Place on any Acco^{t} whatsoever. A certain Sum of Money is due to the said Sydoo Phattally Cawn out of the Effects of Sauldosse &^{c}. I hope you'll be so good as to give your assistance to him in recovering his Debts from Sauldoss's Effects.

What can I say more?

In Abdull Bob Cawn's own Hand.

I must desire you'll mention in your private Letter to the Chief at Surat concerning the above Affairs relating to Sydoo Phattally Cawn and Hazey Mahomed Mohasan Father to Nasar Mahomed Cawn Killedar of Chetpet as aforesaid. You'll also write a Letter to the same Chief to the above Purport and send it hither to me that I may forward it to Surat.—

What can I say more?

A note inclos'd.

This Day being the 9th. Instant I arriv'd in the Plains of Tervatore and wait for your assistance, Please to send it as soon as possible.

What can I say more?

No. 24.

From Viziam Rauze dated 13 Decb^{r}: 1753 Rec'd 14th. Jan: 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter and to observe the Particulars therein contain'd. I lately wrote to you and gave you an Acco^{t}. [of] Shoket Jung alias Mahomed Mohagan Cawns flight to Razamandrem and of my Pursuit as far as Pedaporam, at length I arriv'd within the Distance of a Coass from Razamandrem and fix'd my camp upon which Shoket Jung with great Civility and intreating sent Abrahamaly Cawn with some proper Persons of his own to visit me and to negotiate a Peace with me. I shall let you know whatever may be settled on that Head, You was pleas'd to say that you did not receive my Answers to your Letters, I lately sent Letters in Answer to those of Yours which I am certain are come safe to your Hands. You desir'd me to let you know the News of the Moguls Court & Salabet Jungs Debar. Let me inform you that lately I receiv'd advice that the Mogull and Mansoorally Cawn Vizier encounter'd each other at Delly and that the Mogull obtain'd a Victory. Camaredey Cawn and Gazedey Cawn's Sons exerted themselves in this fight for which Reason the Mogull appointed Cameredys Cawn's Sons to be Viziers and Gazedey Cawns Sons was made Meer Backshey. There was another son of Gazedey Cawns on whom the Mogull confer'd the Subarship of the whole Decan Country. Salabet Jung resides at present at Aurangabad. There happen'd a Disagreement between him and Balazey raw and he sent for Mons^{r} Bosey and Meer Mahomed Hussan Cawn from Golaconda to him, on their leaving that City Salabet Jung conferr'd the Sabbaship of Golaconda on another Man but Mons^{r} Bosey was endeavouring to get the said Meer Mahomed Hussan Cawn confirm'd in his Government. This great Man is now arriv'd in Aurangabad, They are negotiating a Peace with Balazerow thro' the Means of Mons^{r} Bosey, as soon as I receive a true Acco^{t}. I shall communicate it to you. You intimated to me that the Country was still in Trouble and that the Nabobs Army was victorious, that as the King of Mayasore was rich, he resolv'd notwithstanding the Expence to insist upon Terchenepelly. As the Enemys are continually plundering the Country it render'd the Nabob unable to collect the Rents and consequently occasion'd a great Scarcity of Money for his Expences, As you continue firm in your sincere Alliance, &

Friendship with the Nabob in every Respect to this Day, Your Fame is already spread as far as Delley, I hope therefore that you'll by all Means be a Mediator and get a Peace concluded between the Nabob and the King of Myasore. Gazedey Cawn's Son does not chuse at present to undertake his March to the Decan Country on [account] of the Monsoon but he will soon go to the said Country, then by the Blessing of God both you and the Nabob will have a great Interest with him and your Affairs will meet with Success in a better Manner, There is an inward Hatred between Mons^{r} Bosey and Sydoo Lascar Cawn and as the former is now arriv'd at Court, I cant tell what will happen if I hear any thing I shall communicate it to you. As I am desireous to hear from you continue to write me of your Health and please me.

A second Paper inclos'd.

I receiv'd the Gun Powder you sent me in good Time, it was of great Service to me, I want some more and hope therefore that you'll befriend me in supplying me with a hundred Barrels more thro' the Means of Hucametroy who will pay you. Some time ago I wrote to the Nabob Sampetroy Hucametroy & your Honour about consulting a method concerning the Circars here I desire you'll let me know as soon as possible what they and you determine about settling this Country as there is a perfect Union between us I shall act agreable to your Directions.

What can I say more ?

No. 25.

From Nabob Mahomed Mohayan Cawn *alias* Japherelly Cawn dated 26th Decb^{r}. and receiv'd the 14th of Jan: 1754.

I had the Pleasure of receiving your Letter requesting my Permission to coin copper Dubs at Vizagapatam. Before I receiv'd it the Permission was granted in writing to the Factor at Vizagapatam to coin them. I wrote to the Chief to settle your Factories in Ganjam &^{c}. places under my Jurisdiction promising to let out the Villages round the Factories on Rent if they desir'd it. You intimated to me that I should Regard the French & English in the same light, Let me inform you that my Friendship to your Honour and the Chiefs of Vizagapatam, Ingeram &^{c}. is 10, or, 12, Years old, I had none for the French, but as that Nation had a great Interest at Court I regarded them on that Acco^{t}. When Ramdoss Punt was living they procur'd repeated Orders in my Name to Destroy your Factories at Ingeram Vizagapatam, Madapalam, Woopara, and sent them to me, but I in regard to your Friendship sav'd the said Factories, at which they entertain'd a great Hatred and spoke against me to Salabet Jung more than once. Now Sydoo Lascar Cawn, Meer Mahomed Hussan Cawn, Saf Shacan Cawn &^{c}. Ministers at Court declin'd managing the Affairs. Mons^{r} Bosey embrac'd this Opportunity and took these Countrys in payment for the Hatmen, I have therefore resolv'd to extirpate this Nation in these Parts agreable to the Ministers Directions and to that End & Purpose I got all the Zameadars of Razamandrem, Yalore, Mustephenagar, Murtazanagar and as far as Vangole to join me, and made them swear not to let the French take Possession of the Country. There were 30000 Peons and 5000 Horsemen collected. I with the Zamendars pass'd Gangey River with a Design to punish that Nation and sent my Family to Vizagapatam. I lately sent you a friendly Letter thro' the Means of Sydoo Phatally Cawn requesting you to help me with 500 of the English soldiers & two Mortors and to let their Pay amount One with another to 20 Rupees which I suppose is come safe to your Hands, I must desire you therefore to send that Assistance to me as soon as possible for without your favour it is not in my Power to punish these People. I have hitherto reserv'd my Countenance to the French on Acco^{t} of the Orders from Court but as they used me ill, I shall not be backward. By the Blessing of God this Nation will be extripated in a proper Manner May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more ?

No. 26.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADER DATED THE 13TH AND RECEIV'D THE 19TH OF JANRY. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter dated the 28th of Decbr. 1753 on the 11 Instant you was pleas'd to say that Monsr Dupleix had wrote you that he would send a Person to treat of a Peace and that you design'd to appoint Padre Palk to talk with him and that you told him you'd agreed to Nothing except I am acknowledg'd Subah of the Carnatick and the King of Tanjore enjoy his Country in Peace and that you was of opinion his late Losses might incline him to it, You was pleas'd to say also that if he agrees to acknowledge me Subah of the Carnatick he may very likely make demand on me for the Expence and expect some Jaqueers desiring me at the same Time to write you fully on these two different Articles. I must inform you that both before & Now I remain'd & continue in Obedience to your Advice and Counsell in every Respect I shall not make any Objections to any thing you may determine however agreable to your Desire I take the Liberty to write to you what came into my Mind which is as follows.

It is better to make a Peace with Mr. Dupliex, if it is concluded, it will not be in the Power of the Mayasorians or Morarey to do any thing agst. us but on the Contrary they will be distressed and meet with Shame, which will oblige them to desist from their Hostilities I desire you therefore to appoint what Jagueer is proper or you may think fit for Mr. Dupleix. As you are very sensible of my Afflictions and Poverty, I need not urge much to you on that Head for which Reason, it is impossible for me to get Money to pay his Expence at Present but after a Peace is concluded and the Country settled The Revenues will be collected then I shall pay what Money may be agreed on according to the limited Times. You have and still shew your Favours and Protection to my Affairs and those of the Tanjore Kings in a proper Manner. May God Grant you a long Life attended with the same Kindness and Civilities.

You say that though we treat, it must not hinder us from endeavouring to punish the Enemy, this Advise of yours proceeds from your Understanding & none but a good Sardar would have thought of it. By the Blessing of God we shall act agreable to it. I must tell you that the French Governour is the Author of this Disturbance. If a Peace is concluded with him all Affairs will meet with Success according to our Desire and the Disturbance will cease Peace will be restor'd to the Country and Happiness to the People, It is highly necessary for your Honour to engage your Favour in this Affair. Please to send Padre Palk without Fail, Settle a Peace and then inform me fully of it. Continue to write me of your Health, that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

In Nabobs Aneverdy Cawns own Hand.

Your Favours towards me are infinite. I empower you to settle a Jagueer and money to the French, At the Conclusion and Agreemt. of Peace, you should get the French to agree to be always in Friendship with me and my Friends and look upon my Enemies as their own but not interfere in the affairs of the Country [on any] Accot. whatsoever.

No. 27.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 9TH. AND REC'D THE 19TH. OF JANRY. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter dated the 19th. of Decbr. on the 1st. Instant. You was pleas'd to intimate that as we met with Success & the Enemys were defeated it was necessary that a large Store of Provisions should be put into Tcrchenepelly & that we should confine the french Prisoners (who are numerous) in

such Manner as to prevent Treachery. I look upon this advice to have proceeded from your sincere regard & Friendship tome, May God grant you a long Life attended with the same Kindness & Civility. By the blessing of God the Success of all Affairs depends upon your Honour Agreable to your Direction Major Lawrence & Mr. Kilpatrick are very strict and are carefull in protecting of the Fort and guarding the French Prisoners.

You say that the Negotiation with Vancataraw was upon the same footing and that the last Defeat of Nanzeraz may reduce him to send fresh Instructions and that whatever passes hereafter You'll let me know. I must tell you that you are empower'd in this Affair I shall agree to your Sentiments and Advise in every Respect.

You say also that Monsr Dupleix offer'd to send a Person to treat and that if he acknowledged me as Subah of the Carnateck and makes Peace with me and the King of Tanjore tis well, if not you will not treat. You was pleas'd to send Copies of your Letters and those of the French to the Major by which I gain'd a full knowledge. Your Answers to them were very Regular and Proper. It is Impossible for me to return my Thanks for your Favour Protection & Constancy May God grant you a good Reward.

You say further that a Letter came from one of Morareys People in the Name of your Dubash offering to reconcile affairs between me & Nanzeraz which is said to have been wrote by Morarey's Order and that Morarey was a Dangerous Man. I observ'd the Contents of that Letter by a Copy which you sent to the Major, I must inform you that Morareys Words are not true they are certainly mischievous should God conduct him into the Right Way and he treats a Peace with you, you may do it without fail. I have not yet receiv'd any fresh News from Nabob Salabet Jungs Camp, as soon as I do I shall communicate it to you.

You mention'd to me that Nazeabulla Cawn was in quite Possession of his District & Abdull Bob Cawn commands a large District and that the Killedar of Chetpet hoisted the Circars Colours & that if these were well managed it would help me greatly in collecting the Revenues in a plentifull Manner. The getting the Fort of Chetpet was owing to the blessing of God your Sincere Regard and firm Assistance to me, I have been inform'd that Abdull Bob Cawn besides the former Force has enlisted new Troops, I have wrote him about settling the Country and collecting the Revenues as was requisite, I hope he will act agreable thereto and endeavour to pay the Companys Money as soon as he can. At present Morareys Troops are in those Parts according to the Desire of the French Governour of Pondicherry. It is well known that Abdull Bob Cawn has no English Troops with him to punish the Disturbers. As he is your Younger Brother, you should be so kind as to supply him with a Detachment of the English Troops with Artillery. It is impossible for me to rehearse your Kindness either by Pen or Tongue.

You mention'd to me also that the Killedar of Valore would gladly enter into a Friendship with me and that if I thought him sincere I should do it by all Means, I have wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn on this Head and told him that if he was true to us to make Peace with him. As soon as I receive his Answer I shall inform you very fully.

Your strict Adherance & Orders to the Terpetty Renter about settling the Accots. was very just & reasonable. You may order that Affair to be settled thro' the Means of Sampetroy and receive both the last and present Years Ballance in full, in part of the Company's Debt and then let me know of it.

On my removing from Covilody to Terchenepelly, I detach'd Mahomed Ebarar Cawn Backsley and Mr. Thomas Cooke to Tanjore in order to bring the Army which at last arriv'd at Tarcatpelly under the Command of Malarzey Gadaraw and halted in that Place in Expectation of the Arrival of the remaining Force on Gadaraw's Arrival at Tarcatpelly Morareys detach'd two thousand Horses towards Combagonum, with Gourey Mayaveram &c. in order to plunder the Tanjore Country the said Horses entered the said Districts of Tanjore and began their Hostilities but were punished more than once by Manozey. Gadaraw & Arnozeys People have also punish'd them towards Tarcatpelly. On the 3d. Instant a general Battle was fought between Manozey

and the Enemys Troops towards Combagonam in which the whole of Morareys army was plundered. Bava Cawn &c^{a}· five Sardars with a great Number of Morareys Horsemen were kill'd or taken Prisoners, about 700 Horse were carried to the Kings House, the Remaining together with the Tents &c^{c}· Necessarys were seiz'd partly by the Tanjore Army and partly by the Palligars, thus by the blessing of God The Tanjorians obtain'd a great Victory which distress'd the Enemy.

I have receiv'd a Letter from Nabob Backsheyal Mumaleck Nizamal Muluck Anseph Jah Shahabedey Cawn Bahadar Phatta Jung Sapa Salar, Son to Nabob Gazedey Cawn deceas'd, in a Bag with an Offer of great Favours and with this there came a Saned for the Carnateck and Terchenepellys Countrys in my Name together with Letters in Bags to the Phousdars of Cadapa, Carnole, the King of the Tanjore and the Mayasorians requiring them to be in Alliance with me, I have enclos'd Copies of his Letter and Saned to me for your Perusal by which you'll plainly see his Favours to me this was owing to the Blessing of God and your Favour, Continue to write to me of your Health that it may give me Joy.–

What can I say more?

In Aneverdy Cawns own Hand.

By the Blessing of God and your Endeavours, if a Peace is concluded with the French no other Enemys will appear.

A Copy of a Letter from Nabob Shahabedey Cawn Bahadar Phatta Jung, Son to Gazedey Cawn deceas'd, to Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 20th of October 1753.

I was extreamly well pleas'd to receive your two Letters after a long Expectation, One Bearing Date the 25th and the other the 28th of March 1753, Out of the sincere Zeal and Attachment to my Interest you say that you was glad to hear of the Meer Backsheys Employ &c^{c}· being confer'd on me which was my right. I am sensible of your true Attachment and sincere Friendship to me. I therefore make no doubt of your Rejoycings you are Partaker of our Fortune and continue our Friend always from three Generations past. My Happiness will be a means to make my Friends happy as also to encrease the Dignity of my Well wishes. You wrote me concerning the Menseb and a Pallinkeen with a Net Work to be granted to you, all which I represented to his Majesty who agreed to it, your good Services in the Time of the deceas'd (Lord suppos'd to be his Father) and your Firmness and sincere Regard at present is imprinted in my Heart, my entire Resolution is to make you a Recompence for your good Services and Sincerity in such Manner that you may be well pleas'd with it, and meet with Power and Riches beyond your Expectations. I always regard what my Predecessors said and am inclin'd to act agreable to it. I address'd myself to his Majesty about a Phirmaund Kalaet or (a Present of Cloth &c^{c}·) and other Grants, but on Acco^{t}· of the present Disturbance (a short Acco^{t}· of which I sent you upon a different Paper) I could not send them to you at this Juncture, by the Blessing of God you will receive them by & by. You'll also receive a Saned in confirmation of the Government of the Carnatick, Terchenepelly &c^{a}· I told some certain matters to your Vackeel who will write them to you send an Answer to that, as soon as possible. I hear very much of the Faith & Conduct of the English, if you encourage that Nation & send a Detachment of them who are well skill'd in their Profession you'll merit our good Pleasure and favour greatly.

In Nabob Shahabedey Cawns own Hand.

Make yourself perfectly easy and exert Yourself in the Affairs of your Districts and be busy in minding our Interest, By the Blessing of God I shall do whatever may conducive to your Good & Happiness–

A Copy of a Letter from Nabob Shahabedey Cawn Bahadar Phatta Jung to Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar.

Formerly there subsisted a good Friendship between me and Safdar Jung meaning the Vizier, but when the Days of his Misfortune drew nigh, he intended to rebel against the Patcha who was a Shadow of God and our Master, on my Knowing

the same, my Wishes were that he might be punish'd to desist from his bad Proceedings. There is a Proverb which says, If a Misfortune attends any Man he won't be persuaded to any thing that is good. I used my utmost Endeavours to disuade him but in vain, on the Contrary he depended upon the Pride or a Strength of a large Army & join'd Soorezmel Jat, this wicked man is raising a Disturbance between Darel Calapa & Musteker Calapa and from the Time of the former Patchas he made it his Business to rebel, but Several Princes had been detach'd against him with the Razas of the Indostan Country, Namely Maharaz Jasing &c.' but they could not extripate this wicked Disturber, at length the said Safder Jung appear'd in the Field jointly with Soorezmel but my Duty to our Master and the Regard I have for my Predecessors Memory and Reputation enflam'd me in such a Manner that I could not suffer those vile Proceedings of the Wicked and altho the whole Body of the Ministers at Court were in the Enemy's Interest, some thro' Pride, some for want of Sense and other with Treachery; I put my Confidence in God, and with the Troops I had oppos'd him who was very prodigal and had an Army of 100 thousand Horse with him. At length by the Blessing of God and Invocation of the holy Saints the said Safder Jung & Soorezmel were punish'd in such Manner that they left the City of Darell Calapa and made their Retreat to the Wilderness. I am at present pursuing them, I hope soon to kill or take them Prisoners, the Empire was clear'd of those Thorns and it will be in Peace and happy, by the blessing of God this is the Time for faithful People and Wellwishers to obtain their Desire make yourself perfectly easy and remain in hopes of your Rise and Promotion.

A Copy of a Note in Nabob Backsheyal Mumaleck Nizamal Muluck Anseph Jahs own Hand.

It has been represented to me that the English Troops are well skill'd in their Professions you shou'd therefore send as many as you can get of them to Court without fail, Your Vakeel will write very fully to you on that Head. I do not know how to stile Thomas Saunders Governour of Madrass, for which Reason I did not write to him, Let me know his Title that I may then write a Letter and send it to him together with his Majestys Phirmand.

No. 28.

From Goverdendoss dated the 19th. of Octobr. 1753
and receiv'd the 19th. of Janry. 1754.

It is a long Time since I sent you three Letters at three different Times, but you have not sent me an Answer. I must now enform you that Nabob Backsheyal Mumaleck confer'd the Government sent a Saned and a Letter in a Bag, which will give you an Acco^t. of Matters. I have wrote very fully to the Nabob who will communicate it to you. The Disturbance of Safder Jung and Soorezmel is upon the same footing to this Day, They are continually fighting by the Mourchas and Artillery. Several Battles has been fought in which Safder Jung met with a shamefull Defeat, At Present the Negotiation of Peace is on foot, it is very probable it may be concluded. Raza Mada Sing Son to Danraz Sing waited upon his Majesty he was inclin'd to a Peace but Nabob Backsheyal Mumaleck, Safder Jung & Soorezmel Jat visit each other then a Peace will be concluded. The People are now negotiating as aforesaid.

What can I say more ?

No. 29.

From Ranah Naick dated the 31st. of Decr. 1753
and receiv'd the 19th. of Janry. 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour y^t. after I took my Leave of you, I arriv'd safe at Fort S^t. Davids and deliver'd your Honours Letter to M^r. Stark who order'd 22 Seapoys with some Necessarys and sent you an Acco^t. thereof, which I suppose

inform'd you of the Particulars. A Letter was given me to receive 40 Seapoys at Devicot, where I arriv'd and waited in Expectation of some Goods from Fort S^{t}· David which were brought in 8 Days, on this I took with me the said 40 Sepoys and proceeded on my Journey from Devicot on the 26th of Nov^{br}· and arriv'd in the District (suppos'd to be under his Management) & stay'd there 4 Days to mind the Business thereof, & then continued on my Journey but on Acco^{t}· of the excessive Rains there was an Inundation of Waters which fill'd the Tanks & Gutters to that Degree that it was a difficult matter even for Necessaries to be brought for me and on that Acco^{t}· I was detain'd some Days on the Road. At length on the eight of Dec^{br}· I arriv'd at Combagonam where I receiv'd advice that the Major and the Nabob were gone from Coviledy to the Fort of Terchenepelly on this I wrote a Letter to the Major from Combagonam about my going but he return'd an Answer & told me that I should go to M^{r}· Thos. Cooke then in Tanjore and accompany the Tanjore Army which he expected, if not he advis'd me to go to Tercatpelly and from thence to write to him, promising to send a safeGuard to conduct me, upon which I left Combagonam and arriv'd in Tanjore but the King sent out Gadaraw, Sakozey Naick &^{c}· Jamadars to meet me which they accordingly did, and as it is Customary with us to make Presents of Cloth to a Son at the Death of his Father, the King sent me the same. Gadaraw on his Part did the like, carry'd me to the Fort and gave me a Lodging in his own House. Agreable to the Majors Direction I waited upon M^{r}· Cooke who told me that he and Mahomed Abarar Backshey were come there to conduct the Tanjore Army to our Assistance and that he was hastening them about it, so that I should prevail them in such manner that they might soon send out the Troops, on this I used my utmost Endeavours with Gadaraw on this Affair and got some other proper Persons to speak to him on that Head that the Army might march as soon as possible. At length I and Gadaraw arriv'd at Tarcatpelly. On my Arrival at Tanjore the King spoke to some great Men there that formerly a brotherly Friendship was declared to each other with many Promises but that the Affair of Mayavaram Country created a Disagreement between me & him which made him unwilling to see me he spoke also to 1 or 2 other great Men that I wrote to your Honour and told you y^{t} he owed me a large Ballance which must be clear'd, I sent to acquaint Manozeraw of this in a private Manner who return'd an Answer in the like manner that Sakozey Naick would not suffer it to be done at present and that I should not take Trouble in vain but that it was better for me to go along with the Army promising at the same time to join it himself within ten Days when he hop'd to converse with me he said that by the blessing of God all Affairs would meet with Success as we shall endeavour to dispatch them slowly, whereupon I accompany'd the Army and on our arrival at Tarcatpelly as aforesaid, I hastened them about marching to the Westward but Gadaraw delay'd from Time to Time, Notwithstanding I did not suspect his Word but some Ministers in Tanjore began to hinder his Affairs very much by not sending Wages to the Horsemen and Money for the Expence of the Army under Gadaraw this occasion'd an entire Delay in his March by which Reason M^{r}· Thomas Cooke, the Backshey and I went in Company together to Gadaraw the other Day & spoke to him about the Continuance of the March but he answer'd that he wrote to the King about it, and that as soon as he receiv'd his Answer he should march, afterwards I went to him and told him that my Business required all possible Speed and insisted on him at the same Time to let me know his Resolution he then desir'd me to wait 4 Days in which Time he said if he receiv'd the Kings Order he would march in Company with me, if not, I might go before, of which I wrote the Major this Day. While Affairs were on this Footing the Kings Order arriv'd for the Army to return to Tanjore, on this they directed their march Immediately to the said Place, M^{r}· Thomas Cooke went with them. The Major promis'd by a Letter in Answer to that of mine to send a safe Guard desiring me to come to him I shall therefore go to him and then I shall write to you. On my arrival at Tanjore as aforesaid the King sent to demand his Letter of me which I sent him but I did not deliver your Letter concerning my Affair, not did I say anything extraordinary, on the Contrary, I remain'd like a Friend and accompanyd Gadaraw as aforesaid as there occur'd nothing extraordinary at the said Place, I did not write to you from thence, but wrote to Narasimma twice and directed him to communicate it to You, to which I

refer you, your Letter to me dated the 23d of November, Mr. Cooke deliver'd me on the 11th of Decbr. I understood the Particulars therein contain'd & communicated it to Mr. Cooke at his Request he was pleas'd to tell me that a regular Answer should be wrote after the Conference with the Major. I observe the Situation of Affairs at Tanjore is upon two different Heads, Gadaraw and Manozey are one, Sakozey Naick acts by himself for which Reason and my not seeing the King nothing was done agreable to me, I therefore intended to have wrote an Answer to the said Letter after I discours'd with the Major but my Journey was delay'd on Acct. of the above Reason, I have not wrote any thing extraordinary in this, on the Contrary gave you a short Acct. of what passed As soon as I have convers'd with the Major, I shall write to you fully of all affairs, I find a great deal of Difference between the King of Tanjore, Nanzeraz, and Morarey, for which Reason I did not think fit to write to you before I saw the Major and know everything that pass'd there. I must repeat that my Journey was delay'd on Acct. of the above Reason and am sorry I did not write to you before, Don't take it amiss on that Account, I repeat that I shall write to you fully as soon as I discourse with the Major. Take the foregoing into your serious Consideration and send your Directions to me for my future Proceedings.

No. 30.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN DATED THE 18TH. & RECEIV'D THE 23RD. OF JANRY. 1754.

I write this to acquaint you that Morareys Horsemen are arriv'd within 6 Coasses from Tarvatore and are raising Disturbances, they have a large Army with a good Artillery as also an European Force and Seapoys with them. By the Blessing of God I am encamp'd in the plains of Tervatore with an Army ready to fight but wait for the Arrival of your Assistance, The sooner you send it the better and all Affairs will be attended with a Benefit.

What can I say more?

No. 31.

TO NABOB ANNAVERDECAWN BAHUDAR DATED JAN: 21ST. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter with Copys of Gauzede Cawns Sons Letter and his Saned to you. Major Lawrence mentions a Letter from the Mogulls Vackeel to me this is not come to Hand you tell me you are obedient to my advice and will agree to what I may conclude with the French, as I act only as a Mediator between you and the French 'tis necessary that you should be more particular in your Instructions you know well the Jageers the French have and as Nabob of the Province you are best judge what may be granted them therefore I desird you will mention the several Jagueers that you will give them. Major Lawrence will discourse with you concerning these Affairs, I desire you will lose no time as the French Deputys and ours are now at Sadrass, the King of Tanjore seem very Dilatory in not joining the Army as he has rejected to accomodate Affairs with the Dallaway and must be sensible that the War is continued on his Acct. as well as Yours he ought to exert himself. I agree with you that Morarow is not to be trusted. I am inform'd that Abdull Bob Cawn and Nizabulla Cawn collects large Sums of Money I hope they remit them to you. I have not yet rec'd an Answer from Mootas Alla Cawn when I do I shall acquaint you with the Particulars as well as what passes at Sadrass. Write me constantly that I may have the Pleasure of hearing of your Happiness.

No. 32.

TO THE KING OF TANJORE DATED JAN: 21ST. 1754.

Tis a long Time since I had the Pleasure of hearing from you. Mr. Cooke writes me that he mention'd to you the accomodating matters with the Dallaway, which you did not accept. The Nabob also tells me yt. Morarow cannot be trusted so that it

remains to oppose the Enemy by Force. 'You know the Losses they have met with has weakned them considerably, delays are dangerous. We should not give them Time to recruit, therefore by all means join the Army immediately and consult with Major Lawrence the Measures to pursue I need not urge to you the strict alliance that subsists between the Nabob and us and this War is to secure your Country as well as his. M^{r}. Dupleix has sent his Vackeels to Sadrass to treat. I will advise you what passes and be assur'd I shall regard your Affairs as my own and suffer nothing to be done but what is for your Benefit. Happiness attend you.

No. 33.

FROM NISAR MAHOMED KILLEDAR OF CHETPET.

REC'D 29TH OF JAN : 1754.

A Few Days ago there was a feast amongst the Circars People, at that time Thomas Rosea Sergeant desir'd my Permission to fire some Guns which I granted him, while he was firing them, it so happen'd y^{t}. the Surjeant hurt his Eyes which induc'd him to go to Madrass for to be cur'd, I have Occasion for Gunpowder Guns &^{c}. Necessaries for the use of the Fort & inform'd the Serjeant of the Same who will communicate it to You. I hope you'll be so kind as to supply me with the Gunpowder &^{c}. according as the Serjeant may request of you as I am ready to pay the Price to the Company. I submitted myself to you thro my Attachment to the Nabobs Interest I hope therefore that you'll shew your Favours to me, may Happiness attend you.

What can I say more ?

A List of Necessary's to be supply'd according to the Serjeants Request as they shall be paid for

Gunpowder	3 Candys
Balls	200
Shells	200
Best Firelocks	2
Pistols	2 p^{r}.
Liquor	1 Cash
Flints	500

No. 34.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR

DATED 17TH & RECEIV'D THE 29TH OF JAN. 1754.

At the Request of the King of Tanjore Sydoo Makatoomelly Cawn has acquainted me by a Letter that Morareyraw apply'd to the said King by his Vackeel demanding 3 Lacks of Rupees half of which was to be paid him in 6 Days and the other half on his Departure to Balagat in which Case he promised to return to his Country from the Mayasorians but I return'd an Answer to the said Sydoo Makotoomelly Cawn and told him that the King too sensible of my Low Circumstances and that he the said King should be favourable to me in this Affair and dispatch it. Notwithstanding the King tells me plainly that he cant get the above Sum. By the blessing of God you are my Protector and benefactor and are always shewing your Favours to put an end to the Enemy Schemes and are mindfull of my Happiness. My circumstances are well known to you. The Company have already lent or expended a large Sum and they are still doing the same. As God is omnipotent I hope this Sum will be discharged in a handsome Manner I thought fit to acquaint you with it. If a Bill can be procur'd from Bukenzeys shop upon condition Morarey quit these Parts, the said Morarey will leave the Mayasorians according as the King of Tanjore has wrote to me in order to go away to his Country in which Case the Disturbance will end which will be a means of my Happiness [and] the safety of the People as it will also be a great Help to settle Affairs.

What can I say more?

No. 35.

FROM RAMAH NAICK DATED JAN: THE 16TH
& REC'D THE 30TH. 1754.

I took the Liberty to send you a Letter from Tarcatpelly on the 2d. Instant which I suppose is come safe to your Hands, afterwards I wrote you another Letter concerning the Arrival and Visitations of the Palligars Vakeels which I directed to be forwarded to you from Termalwashel by a Catamaran on Acco$^{t.}$ of the Dangers in the Road which will come to your Hands in a few Days more or less. I set out from Tarcatpelly on a Sudden and arriv'd at Kalcota on the 11th & halted there that Night. At that time there arriv'd a safe Guard from Terchenepelly upon which I continued my Journey and arriv'd at Terchenepelly on the 12th at 11 O'Clock and paid a Visit to the Major to whom I deliver'd your Letter and he shew'd great Favours to me. In the Evening the Major introduced me to the Nabob to whom I also deliverd your Letter and he in like Manner shew'd great Favours to me, I told the Nabob that a Letter was wrote to Nanzeraz, he then asked me the Contents and whether I had brought its Copy with me, I answer'd no, on this the Major was pleas'd to say that Nanzeraz demands either the Fort to be deliver'd or the whole Expence to this Day to be paid him, if not, he says he would fight and die, the Major was pleas'd to say further that if any Man was sent to him he was ready to cut his Nose and that he would write to you for a Copy of your Letter to Nanzeraz to know the Contents of it.

Touching the affairs in these Parts let me take the Liberty to inform you that Manozey negotiated with Morarey and offered him some Money in order that he might return to his Country under Pretence of his Fathers Death of which he told me the King but some certain Persons not liking y$^{t.}$ Manozey should act as a Mediator represented to the King y$^{t.}$ Morarey will be oblig'd to go away of his own Accord and that Manozeys Advice was not to be followed at length they order'd some Troops under the Command of Gadaraw and sent him as far as Tarcatpelly. When Morarey heard of it, he was enrag'd and sent a Detachment of 1500 Horse to plunder the whole of the Tanjore Country. They accordingly began Their Hostilities and when they arriv'd at Combagonam, News was brought to the King who detach'd Manozey with an Army and he arriv'd at Combagonam where he had a skirmish with the Enemy and seiz'd some of their Horses & Lungaries & sent them to Tanjore upon which the Enemy mov'd and fix'd their Camp at Caravaca near Mayaveram. Manozey pursued them as far as that Place & then return'd to Madrazenam where he sent for some Palligars and encourag'd them with an offer to forgive the Plunder, provided they beat the Enemy on this they began to distress the Enemy at that Time it rain'd to the Enemy's prejudice and hinder'd them from proceeding forward. At that Time Manozey cross'd their Road at Madrazenam & Mayaveram. When this News was carry'd to Morarey he detach'd Reinforcement of 500 Horses with Directions to march to the Southward of Tarcatpelly but they were attacked by Gadaraw then at that Place, at length 100 of their Horse & about 50 or 60 Seapoys were seized & taken Prisoners. The Palligars also seiz'd about 150 Horses and the Rem$^{r.}$ was dispersed. As the Troops which enter'd before began their Hostilities in the Country as aforesaid, Sakozey Naick advis'd the King and sent a Vakeel to treat with the Marates and releas'd the Prisoners who were taken at Combagonam and Wallam and wrote to Manozey not to attack their Troops again. Before this Letter was carry'd the Enemys Troops being harass'd and distress'd [by] the Palligars and Rains they march'd and lay encamp'd near Sealey in order to cross Coladam by the Way of that Place. At that Time it rain'd 4 or 5 Days without ceasing which made the River very deep and the Palligars encreas'd their Hostilities at that Time these made them starve for 2 or 3 Days at length they began their march to the Westward. When Manozey heard of it he divided the Army into 3 different Bodies at Mayaveram, One of which was order'd to appear in sight of the Enemys as if they were ready to intercept their Passage One was order'd to march with the Artillary to the Southward and with the other Manozey follow'd the Enemy who at length arriv'd in a Village which was a deep place under Pandnellore Country, Manozey surrounded them at that Place and oppos'd them they were distress'd to that Degree that they

cried out for a Cowl which Manozey did not mind on that Contrary order'd the whole of their Army to be plunder'd Their Horses were seiz'd and Jamadars were taken Prisoners by the Palligars. Some of those Jamadars were substantial Persons some Men in their Army were taken Prisoners and the others kill'd several of their Men fell into the River at the Time of the Engagement and the Rapidity of the Current destroy'd them.

The Writer who used to write my Letters being sick remain'd in Tarcatpelly which made me write this in the Marata Language, on my arrival at Tarcatpelly I was sick for a few Days on Account of a bad Air and Cold, but by your Honours Favour I recover'd my Health. On my arrival here the Major insisted on my telling him how the Affair was. I thereupon inform'd him of the Palligars Vakeels Message to me in some Respects I am a stranger to this Country no Body know me here you should therefore be pleas'd to continue your Protection to me and write favourably in my Behalf to whom you may think it necessary. When I was at Tarcatpelly the People with me fell sick at several Times among whom my Writer suffer'd very much on this I wrote to my Vakeel at Tanjore and sent for him and bid him write this to you as I could not trust any other with it. As the last Letter to you was dispatch'd in a hurry I did not chuse to write of publick Affairs in it. You must be sensible of the Occurrences, Notwithstanding I thought fit to write to you at large.

No. 36.

FROM RAMAH NAICK DATED JAN. THE 11
& RECEIV'D THE 30TH. 1754.

On the 2d. Instant I took the Liberty to write you a Letter in the Jentue Language which I suppose is come safe to your Hands. During my Stay at Tanjore there pass'd nothing extraordinary. I deliver'd your Letter to the King, he reported that your Honour mention'd to him in the said Letter that you had sent me to the Major at length the People who were near the King hinder'd me from paying a Visit to his Majesty, I thought fit to acquaint you with it. Wallem Chervacar agent to Maraver Satoopetty sent his Vakeel to me with a Present of a Dupetty, Turband and Sash from Guzerat. The Vakeel presented them & spoke to me at Tarcatpelly in the Manner following.

My Master order'd me to deliver the Present to you even if you were at Madrass and to tell you that the Government of Terchenepelly was formerly under the Power to the Carnateck *alias* Jentues which was usurp'd by Chenda by Treachery and a false Oath from the Queen who departed this Life ever since which the said Country has been involv'd in trouble. We paid a Visit to Nauser Jung when in this Province and represented the Affairs to him, upon which he promised to get the said Country restor'd to the Jentues, but he departed this Life also. This Country will not be in Peace unless it be restor'd to the Jentues. As God has granted a full Power to the Government he should have the Honour of this Action you must therefore explain the Affair to him in a proper Manner and get the Country restor'd to the Jentues which will be a Means to gain great Reputation to his Honour. I answer'd the Vakeel that the English had laid out a large sum of Money on Acco^{t}. of the said Country, Nauzeraz also advanc'd some Money, to which he reply'd that if the English got the Country restor'd they need not be under any Apprehension about their Money as his Master was ready to hear them on that Head. I then ask'd him concerning Nauzeraz to which his answer was as follows.

There were 50 or 55 Palligars in all, out of which ten substantial Persons should meet together and send their Agents to endeavour to make a peace with them, if he hears it, tis well, if not, the said Palligars shall join Ramaraz King of the Malabar Coast to oppose and defeat him. The English should join them. If the French decline to join them, they can easily destroy him. Tondaman and his 3 Brothers did also send their Vakeels and presents of Cloth to me their Intentions are to get the Country restor'd to the Jentues by all Means, which they communicated to me, and said that your Honour should gain that Reputation to yourself. These People sent and

acquainted me fully on this Affair but I thought fit to write to you in a concise Manner on Acco^{t} of the Dangers in the Road, I dismiss'd the said Vakeels with a Present in return and told them that I should write the same to your Honour. Please to take the foregoing into your Consideration and send your Directions to the Major and me on this Affair. One of the Kings Seapoys was order'd to attend me, this Man went to see David Cawn in Tondamans Country, on his Return, Tondaman sent a Message to me by him also, that if the said Country was restor'd to the Jentues it would gain great Reputation to your Honour, he has sent and acquainted me certain other Affairs which will be attended with a great Benefit. Your Honour is sensible that the Nabob is in great Want of Money for Expences, if you write to me to talk to the Palligars on this Head, I shall do it. I send this Letter by a Catamaran from Tarmelwashel because of the Dangers in the Road. For other Matters I shall write to you as soon as I see the Major.

No. 37.

From Abdull Bob Cawn dated the 25th
& receiv'd the 31st of Jan : 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that after many Disputes and Questions, Affairs with Murtazally Cawn Killedar of Valore were concluded as ℔ Particulars upon a different Paper enclos'd for your Perusal. As to the Oath which the said Killedar is to swear you'll observe by a Note sent herewith to you. Please to let me know what is proper to advise on this Head, that I may act accordingly.

What can I say more?

The form of a writing which Abdull Bob Cawn is to give and tis suppos'd that Murtazelly Cawn has sent this Form to Abdull Bob Cawn.

I shall not take away from you or your Brothers, Mensebdar and your People the Forts & Jagueers which were in your & their Possession in the Time of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar deceasd. As Chittoor Fort belongs to you it shall be deliver'd you together with Masheret Jagueer and that of Ahasham after the War between us and the Enemy is over. As I have a great Hope of Gain in you I shall not value the Pattey or (Tax Money) which I shall not demand of either of You at Present, nor in future besides this Nobody shall molest You on Acc^{ot} of the Phousdars Fees.

2^{dly} You demand a Jagueer to be deliver'd near You in lieu of that at a Distance, which shall be done after the War is over and on dismissing a Certain Person &c. but at present I will order your Jagueers which are under the Seizure of the Circars Amuldars, to be clear'd.

3^{dly} You demand Agaram & Tutapet to be given you in your Jagueer, as soon as this Friendship is concluded between us I shall procure an Order for it from Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar to be given you.

4^{thly} If any one molests you I shall give my Assistance in every Respect, believe me to be your Allie.

5^{thly} I shall send for Letters of Indulgence both from the Governour and the Nabob under their Seals and send them to you.

6^{thly} You demand the Backsheyship of the Patcha and Jagueer in the Name of Alley Doast Cawn, Son to Subderelly Cawn deceas'd and as the Nabob is favourably inclin'd towards the said Alley Doast Cawn it shall be granted him together with a proper Jagueer after the War is over.

7^{thly} You demand Mayal Manely Checarazpore, and Cocanore to be given as a Jagueer to Zaya Nelabedeen Cawn, as I think it necessary to preserve your good Will on all Acco^{ts} I grant it.

The Oath is to be taken after the Above Articles were accepted.

Form of the Oath to be taken by Mootas Ally Cawn.

I hereby swear an Oath before God and his Prophet as also before the blessed Saints & Alcoran putting my Hand at the same Time upon that Holy Book & declare that I shall always do whateve may be conducive to the Happiness & Support of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawns Affairs. I shall not do any thing contrary to the above Particulars agst· the said Nabob Aneverdy Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawns Letter & Sayings.

No. 38.

FROM THE KING OF TANJORE RECEIV'D THE 31ST· OF JAN: 1754.

Your Honours 3 friendly Letters I have rec'd & observe the Contents, you was pleas'd to intimate that a Peace was better for worthy and sensible People and that if the Man did not agree to a Peace we should oblige him to do it by Force of Arms & that you will send Padre Palk to talk with Dupleix's Vakeel. You was pleas'd to intimate also that if Dupleix acknowledges the Carnatick and agree not to molest my Country, You'll treat, if not you'll cease your Discourse, desiring me at the same Time to let you know what you are to demand or agree with the French for me, & promised to speak to them to get it done accordingly. This indeed gave me great Joy. In reality I and my Country are yours. I depended upon your Promise and Power and make no Acco^{t}· of any Enemy which encreas'd their Hatred. Notwithstanding I enter'd into the present Resolution. The Enemy plunder'd my Country twice and ruin'd it. The Inhabitants thereof deserted as well as the Savacars and Merchants are not yet return'd. No Grain or other Necessaries are brought even to this City. Manozey has beat Morareys Troops who enter'd the Country and clear'd it; Part of the said Troops were destroy'd & the other Part escap'd to Serangam. Morarey & Nanzeraz are threatning me very much, they declar'd that they would cease acting against the Fort of Terchenerelly, on the Contrary would attack my Fort themselves, they are daily preparing their Forces. This created a Terror in the Country & oblig'd, even those few Merchants and Inhabitants who return'd, to go away again. At Pres^{t}· the Country is quite clear of People and by sending the Army at Terchenepelly the Country will not be in safety. No incomes are to be collected. There is a large Ballance of the Seapoys pay due to them, Before they were paid they would not agree to take the Field. Before the Harvest I borrow'd a certain Sum of Money and satisfy'd the People In the Harvest I ought to have collected the Revenues to discharge the Creditors Debts to have pay'd the seapoys Wages and advanc'd them some Money besides to encourage them to take the Field, without which Nothing can be done. As the Enemy extended their Hostilities in the Country and kill'd a great Number of People it terrifyed & hindered the Inhabitants from returning to their respective Towns to this Day, None of my Amuldars are yet settl'd since it is so, how is it that I can get Money? The want of it is the Reason of my Delay in not sending the Army to the Assistance of Terchenepelly. The Nabob and the Major thought that my Delay in not sending the Army was occasion'd by their Neglect in not assisting me when my Country was disturb'd, you may observe that I have no such Malice in my Heart, as soon as the Country is settl'd in some Respect the Revenues collecting and I get the Money I shall pay the People for their Expence and then send the Army if Provisions can be got, in the Mean time Your Sardars & People should come, The Nabob should send for his Troops from Arcot, in order that we might be gather'd together and attack the Enemy with a large Army, should we shake the Enemy a little and leave them, they will get more Strength as they are rich and Powerfull. They took Shelter in Serangam, We should therefore attack them with a proper Force to drive them out of that Place. I thought fit to relate this to you in order that you might be sensible of the whole Affair. What I expect to be done by M^{r}· Dupleix is as follows.

When Chenda besieg'd or attack my Fort he the said Dupleix found means to extort a writing from me quitting my right to the 4, Magans & forgive him the usuall Tribute of Corricol, he should return that writing and restore the Magans to me and should also pay the Tribute of Corical according to the former Agreement

and not have any thing to do with my Country, moreover he should not give Protection to any of my People in Coricol according to the former Agreement, on the Contrary, he should deliver them up to me. As these are his former Agreements with me, he should act agreable to them. I expect these several Articles to be done by him, you may therefore speak to him as may be requisite and get this done for me.

Your Honours Intention is to procure a general Happiness and to gain a Reputation by it, The other Mans design is to assume the Power and Government upon himself in every Respect and to do Injury to every one. If he listens to your proposals it will be better to him, for what he has hitherto done met with bad Success. It will be the same in future. You are a Gentleman of good Reputation and endow'd with future Consideration and your Aim is Goodness. God hath hitherto granted you Success according to your Desire and will grant you the same in future. The best thing is a Peace, if it is concluded a great many will enjoy Happiness but if the War is continued it will be attended with a general Affliction. You being sensible of these matters are endeavouring to effect a Peace which is very proper. You say that you have been inform'd of Morareys Intention to return to his Country, and that if he did, it would be better as it will weaken Nanzeraz, let me inform you that at the Death of Morareys Father, he sent to acquaint me that he was ready to return to his Country provided 3 Lacks of Rupees was paid him in ready Money and the remaining part of the Agreement perform'd according to the Nabob's Proposal. I wrote this to the Nabob who delay'd sending an Answer. On this I desir'd the Messenger to stay 8 Days more but he went away without my Knowledge. The French at Pondicherry paid Morarey 3 Lacks of Rupees and Nanzeraz on his Part paid 5 Lacks and appeas'd him, upon which, Morarey sent his Troops against my Country. Now Morarey has again sent to acquaint me that he will return to his Country provided the 3 Lacks of Rupees are paid, and the remaining part of the Agrement perform'd by the Nabob according to his former Promise and the Horses and Necessaries which we have seiz'd are restor'd and some things given him besides. I acquainted M^{r} Thomas Cook with this as well as Sydoo Makatoom Jamadar and Mahomed Ebrar Backshey to the Nabob, and wrote to the Nabob and the Major of this Affair. As soon as the money is procur'd it shall be my endeavour to prevail on Morarey to return to his Country. These Affairs ought to be finished as soon as possible, if not, the French & Nanzeraz will pay him a large Sum and make him easy. If Nanzeraz looses Morareys Assistance, he can't stay in these Parts, it is therefore a Matter of great Consequence to seperate Morarey from him, but I don't see that what is to be paid him can be procur'd. I thought fit to write my Sentiments to you.

As to the News to the Northw$^{d.}$, the War subsists still between the Mogull and the Vizier, the former lay encamp'd without the Fort of Delly with an Army of 2 Lack of Horse, Gazedey Cawn's Son agreed to lead the Van, they fought a Battle or two, in which the Vizier was defeated and retreated to the Country belonging to the Jats where he took Shelter at a Fort, he has an Army of 20 thousand Horse but the Mogulls Troops are far Superiour in Number. The Vizier is endeavouring to make a Peace but Gazedey Cawns Son did not care to agrée to it, I must repeat the War still continues. Balazeraws Brother & Balacar are marching with 40 thousand Horse to the Assistance of the Mogull, I have advice that they have already cross'd Narmada. Balazeyraw form'd his Camp in order to come to these Parts but as he intended to make a Wedding for his Son he return'd again to Ponna. Salabet Jung is in Aurangabad, Nizamelly lives in Davalatabad, These two disagree. Gazedey Cawn sent and desir'd Balazeraw to assist Nizamelly Cawn, he therefore resolv'd to send 25 thousand Horse to these Parts under the command of Shemshar Bahadar & Ameretraw. I have advice that the Army is already sent out. Balazaraw intends either to come himself or to send his Brother Sadasheraw, he hates Morarey very much, it is therefore very probable that he may come to some adjustment here and return to his Country. Balazeraw hates also the Mayasorians and as soon as his Army approaches near, Nanzeraz will beat his March in which Case the Disturbance will cease. I hope you'll meet with Success in your Undertakings in every Respect and that you'll gain a good Name that my Country and that of the Carnateck will be clear of Dangers which will be a means to gain you a good Reputation. You intimated to me that M^{r} Thos. Cooke

could not speak the Country Language and that it was necessary that Ramah Naick should be with me and in Camp. Your Honour may observe that Mr. Cooke is here at present and I am discoursing with him, there is a Dubash to interpret between us. I cant agree with Ramah Naick you may therefore order him to stay with the Army. You intimated to me also that you was out of Order at present and when Better you'll send for Ramaraw Vakeel and discourse with him on Affairs. Your Disorder gives me Uneasiness. Please to let me know what sickness you had whether you have recover'd your Health, till I hear this I can't be easy. As my whole Dependance is upon your Honour, I am clear of Apprehensions. As the Enemys are continually injuring the Country, it is quite ruin'd, there is no Substance in it. I must repeat that my whole Dependance is upon you, You'll do whatever may be conducive to the Welfare and safety of this Country. Continue to write me of your Health that it may give me Joy. There is no Distinction between us, I need not urge much to you. For other Matters I refer you to the verbal Account of Ramaraw Vakeel.

No. 39.

FROM SAKOZEY NAICK REC'D THE 31ST. OF JAN: 1754.

Several Letters has been sent already to your Honour which I suppose are come safe to your Hands and gave you a full Acct. of Affairs. The Nabob and the Major thought we delay'd sending our Army to their Assistance because they neglected to assist us when the Marathers Troops entered the Country and ruin'd it, they are therefore writing repeated Letters to us to send an Army as soon as possible but we have no such Malice. Before the Harvest we were oblig'd to borrow and spend an extraordinary Sum of Money because of the Armys setting out upon an Expedition. Notwithstanding the aforesaid extraordinary Expence we continued to support it, depending upon the Harvest which was then near at Hand. But just in the Time of the Harvest, Morareys Troops enter'd and ruin'd it which is impossible to relate in a particular Manner to you. We acquainted you with this Accident before, his Majesty was pleas'd to write it in his Letter to which I refer you. The whole Body of the Inhabitants, Amuldars, Chetty Merchants and Savacars left the Country & are not yet return'd. We are tir'd of the daily Rumours occasion'd by the Troubles. Your Intention is to promote the Happiness of this Government and to that end You are exerting yourself We are perfectly easy in every Respect and we do therefore give our Assistance to the Nabob in every Respect. The Country is ruin'd which hinder'd us from receiving any Incomes this was the Reason of our Delay in getting the Army ready. If we had any other Support except this Country, you might then think us culpable of Neglect. You are sensible of the Situation of Affairs here, Notwithstanding you imagine it to be our wilfull Neglect. As soon as the Inhabitants and Amuldars are return'd and the Business transacted, we shall consider every Respect and then send out the Army. Morarey has sent a Message to us which if delay'd the Enemys will endeavour to continue him in their Interest giving him great Hope, then our Negotiation will cease you may therefore write to the Nabob on this Head and hasten him to it, if we succeed in this the Enemy will be very much weakned. We receiv'd advice that the Army is set out from the Northwd this will certainly confound the Enemy and consequently make him decamp but in the mean time we may gather together an Army and destroy him. You say that you intend to sent a Person to talk with the French at Pondicherry and that we should let you know our Demand of them, his Majesty was pleas'd to give you a particular Account of that Matter in his Letter to you to which I refer you.

What can I say more?

No. 40.

TO ABDUL BOB CAWN DATED FEBRY. THE 2D. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter with the Demand of Mootas Alley Cawn and a form of the Oath he is take. I am entirely ignorant of what Jagueers he had or what Indulgences were allowed him during Annaverde Cawns Government. You are

acquainted with them and therefore I suppose those sent me are the same. In regard to the Form of the Oath he is to take, [I] think it would be necessary you should insert, (I do acknowledge Nabob Anneverdecawn Subah of the Carnateck will pay obedience to his Orders and assist him ag^{t}· any Enemy that may endeavour to disturb the Peace of the Province). I have no opinion of the Fidelity of Mootas Ally Cawn. Some time past he desir'd of me a Letter of Indulgence which with Sampatrous Advice I wrote him on Condition he acknowledg' d the Nabob who would gratifie him in the same Manner as Annaverdecawn, he promis'd to release an Officer he had of mine but did not till M^{r}: Dupleix order'd him. The Detachment will in a Day or two set out to join you. Write me constantly of your Affairs.

No. 41.

To Nabob Annaverdecawn dated Feb. 2^{D}· 1754.

Tis a long time since I have had the Pleasure of hearing from you. I have already wrote you that it is not in our Power to raise the Two and half Lack of Rupees you desire. I must now acquaint you that by what has pass'd at Sadrass with the French I dont expect they will conclude a Peace, he pretends to the Government of the whole Country himself. To support his right he produced several Papers as Sanuds amongst which was one said to be from the Mogull which upon Examination proves to be a false one. We told him you have a Sanud from Nazerjing another from Gawzedecawn and a third from Gawzedecawn's Son.

They demand a sight of them therefore be pleas'd to send Copys of them attested by the Caudee as soon as possible that we may come to a Conclusion. Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 42.

To Nanjerawse Mysore Dallaway dated Feb. 2^{D}· 1754.

It is a long time since I heard from you. I continue the same Sentiments of cultivating a Freidnship with You and must therefore inform you that Vencatrow has acquainted me that Madam Dupleix has wrote him to communicate to me what your Vakeel Vincaty Narrain at Sadrass should tell him, which was that in case I would recall my Troops from Tretchenopoly you would pay the Expence We have been at, for that M^{r}· Dupleix had promised you the Fort. That you may not be deceiv'd I think it Proper to tell you that since I have confer'd with M^{r}· Dupleix concerning setling the Province he has wrote me to consider Ruzza Saheib Chundah Sahiebs son for that he has a Sanud for Tretchenopoly and Madam Dupleix has wrote the King of Tanjore that if he makes a Peace with the French he shall have 10 Lack of Rupees of You and 10 Lack more of the Country belonging to Tretchenopoly, by which you will perceive he is deceiving you. If you should doubt the Truth of this send it to Mons^{r}· Dupleix and I will prove it to be true. If you are desirous of a Peace make out your Accounts with the Nabob and what he may be justly indebted to you he will give you Security for the Payment of. I would advise you to do this before your Army is beat out of the Field for you see plainly by what has pass'd that this will soon be the case. If you agree to what I purpose, send your Orders to Vencatarou and the Affairs shall be settled with the Nabob. Write me of your Health.

No. 43.

To Ramah Naigue dated Feb 2^{D}· 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter and observ'd the Contents, you will acquaint the Major with what you hear and don't do anything without his and the Nabobs Knowledge and Consent write me constantly what occurs.

No. 44.

To Manajee dated Febry. the 2^{D}· 1754.

Tis a long Time since I have had the Pleasure of hearing from you. the King has wrote me of your late Victory over the Morattoes I rejoice greatly as hereby you have gain'd a great Reputation and the Kings Favour. I hope soon to hear of your Joining the Nabob and as you know a certain People wont fight I shall have an opportunity to congratulate you again. Let the Friendship between us increase.

No. 45.

To the King of Tanjore dated Feb. the 2^{D}· 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive the Letter you wrote me and observe what you say concerning Peace. I must acquaint you that I have been inform'd from Mr. Dupleix that two of your Hircars brought a Letter from you to Madam Dupleix concerning Peace and that your Vackeel in Pondicherry was waiting for an Answer from your Vackeel. I hear that Madam Dupleix had wrote you that in Case you would lay down your Arms the Districts about Caracul should be restor'd and that she would get [ten Lack of rupees] of Nanjarawse and give you ten Lack of Country belonging to Tretchenopoly. On this I must tell you that it is not M^{r}· Dupleixs Intention to do either and that the two last He cannot do, which you'll perceive very plainly by what has pass'd between me and him. To me he wrote that Russa Saheib has a Sanud for Tretchenopoly and Madam Dupleix wrote to the Vackeel of the Mysore King here to talk to me according to what should be wrote him by the Mysore Vackeel at Sadrass which was to desire Tretchenopoly of me. I saw Madam Dupleix's Letter so that you will see clearly that he has promis'd Tretchenopoly to Ruzza Saheib, to the Mysore King, and part of it to you with a Design to deceive you all and to make use of you all to promote his Ends which is to possess himself of the whole Country which he says he has a Sanud for but upon examining the Sanud We find it a Cheat and dated twenty Year ago. It is my Opinion the Enemy will not make a Peace on reasonable Terms therefore we should punish them. When I heard of the Morattoes entring your Country I sent a Detachment of Men & Officers to Devecotah and the Major informs me he sent one from Tretchenopoly which you sent back again. You should concert Measures with the Major if you think the Morattoes will again enter your Country, the Major will send a Detachment to join Manajee if you and the Major should agree that it be the best to attack the Enemy you should join your whole Force to the Nabob which I am pursuaded will gain a compleat Victory if you are sensible as well as I, that it is for your Interest as well as the Nabobs that the Enemy do not take Tretchenopoly and therefore you should with him do your utmost to prevent it. M^{r}· Cooke is return'd sick to S^{t}· Davids and Mr. Palk whom I design to send to you is at Sadrass. I suspected and your Vackeel [acknowledges] he wrote several Things to you against Ramah Naigue, this was not right and I desire it may not prejudice him in your Favour. Till M^{r}· Palk has finished Affairs at Sadrass, I have no proper Person to send. In case a Peace should be concluded I shall be mindfull of your Affairs as my own, and demand the Restitution of the 4 Magans and the usual Tribute. I am inform'd, [that] Salabad Jung is greatly distress'd for Money. He has assign'd over to the French for the Payment of their Troops the Revenues of Rajahmundrum and Chickacull Government, but Japhir Allecawn the Nabob refus'd, to comply with their Demand. I dont think that Balazeraws coming or sending his Troops can be rely'd on. A long Continuance in this Country has quite destroy'd my Health so that I am seldom well. I have supply'd Ramrou with the several Things you desir'd he might buy what Horses he pleases. Write me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice at your Happiness.

No. 46.

To Succojee Naigue dated Febry the 2d. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents, for know I have sent a Detachment to Devacotah and if the King is under any further Apprehensions of the Morattees the Major will send a Force to join Manajee if not it will be best to lose no Time but with the Nabob attack their whole Force. You'l plainly perceive by what I have wrote the King that a certain People only intend to deceive him, for my Part I shall always be firm to my Alliance and regard his Affairs as my own. Let me constantly hear of your Health.

No. 47.

From Abdull Bob Cawn receiv'd 3d. of Febry. 1754.

This Day being the 31st of Janry. I receiv'd a Letter from Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn Bahadar acquainting me of his arrival in Vangole a Copy of which I send inclos'd for your Perusal which will give you a full Account. Let me know your advice on that Head that I may act accordingly—

What can I say more ?

In Abdull Bob Cawn's own Hand.

Future Consideration of Affairs directs me to think of leaving Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawns Family in Madrass, this will make the Nabob easy.

What can I say more ?

No. 48.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar
rec'd the 4th of Feb. 1754.

I write this to acquaint you that Sydoo Abdull Vahab Son to Meer Gulan Hussam deceas'd, represented to me by his Vakeel that about twenty Cawney's of Ground called Manzeculla in St. Thoma, were given him towards his maintenance together with the Mangoes, Coconut, Palmeet, & Trees as ℔ former Saneds and according to Nauser Jung and my Fathers Grants and that one of your Honours Servants had unjustly possess'd them 4, or 5, M°. ago, desiring me therefore to write to you about it which makes me request you'll look over the Saneds of the said Ground and Garden and do him Justice so that he may obtain his right and you prevent Injustice being done him. This being a charitable Act was the Reason of my troubling You with it.

What can I say more ?

No. 49.

From Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn of Cadapa
rec'd 4th. Feb: 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your friendly Letter, wherein you was pleas'd to intimate concerning Chelembrem that as the Dispatch of Affairs at Terchenepelly lay dorment the Monsoon set in the Freshes filled the Rivers and the Nabobs laying encamp'd at Covilody was the reason of Delay, telling me at the same Time that when Opportunity offer'd you'll take that place for me. You was pleas'd to intimate also that you'd give your assistance to the People at Patacotah. Whatever you undertake will be easily dispatch'd, since it is so, Chelembrem Affair is not a difficult Matter to you. As my Vackeel Sanawasharaw is with You, You'll dispatch the above Affair and then send him to me, You desir'd me to appoint Amuldars to take Care of the Place and collect the Revenues after the Victory. I must observe to you that the Amuldars are ready & I shall send them as soon as the Place is taken. The

said Vakeel shall stay with you till this Affair is finish'd. The first thing to be consider'd, is to supply Pallam Cotah with Provisions because my Family is there, I found that you was unmindfull of that Affair, as the Friendship between us is of a long standing you should regard my Affairs as your own, endeavour to supply me with Provisions and cause the seige of the Fort to be rais'd which will be a Means to encrease the Friendship between us. After I punish'd the Zemeadar at Yamala and he together with his Family were taken Prisoners by my Army, I march'd to the Plains of Ganzeycota in order to settle and regulate Abdull Cawns Affairs who by the Persuasion of a certain wicked People began to do Evils. At length he submitted and paid a Visit to me, I thereupon humbl'd him of his Pride, and made him keep in his proper Limits. In future I shall march thro' Tadamady and of the Zemendars Districts where I shall finish affairs and then continue my march towards Terpatoor when every thing will meet with Success according to our Desire.

What can I say more ?

No. 50.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Feb : 8th. 1754.

Tomorrow I shall send you a Detachment of our Troops to your Assistance, they will come to Conjeveram. You are very sensible that the Nabob is largely indebted to the Company Notwithstanding we defray the Expence of the Camp at Terchenepelly it is necessary that you should discharge the Company's Debt ; Now you are collecting the Revenue of the Country and the Troops are sent to assist you as aforesaid you should therefore pay the Company part of what you collect. I desire you'll let me know what you'll pay. As soon as the Agreement is sign'd by Murtazally Cawn, send me a Copy of it attested by a Caudy.

What can I say more ?

No. 51.

From Ramah Naick dated the 20th of Janry.
& receiv'd the 5th Feb. 1754.

On the 11th. of Janry. I took the Liberty to send you a Letter by a Cattamaran from Termelwashel which contain'd the Occurrences here. I also sent you another dated the 16th. by Land which I suppose gave you a full Account of Affairs. Madera, Tinnevelly, &c. Countrys to the Southward under Terchenepelly are two thirds of the Terchenepelly Country and the other third lies to the Westward and Northward of Terchenepelly. The former were possess'd by Meddo Miah belonging to Aulem Cawn & Polligars so that no Revenues nor even a single Cash is receiv'd by the Fort from those Places, and the latter Part was possess'd by Nanzeraz. This is the Time of the Harvest to the Southward which will lose two or three Months, if Care is taken within that Time some things may be got but if it is expir'd, We must wait for the next years Harvest. The Tanjoreans does not seem inclin'd to send their Assistance soon. The Nabob and the Major are writing to them but they delay sending them from Time to Time. The Ministers in Tanjore are of opinion that if the Assistance is sent at this Juncture the Marattoes will again enter their Country ruin the Harvest and plunder it. Nanzeraz and Morarey on one part and the King of Tanjore on the other are maintaining an Intercourse of Letters. Morareys Cousin commanded a Detachment of the Marata Horses sent lately and was attack'd and defeated entirely by Manozey who seiz'd some of their Horses and took that Commander Prisoner he was confin'd in Tanjore. Morarey propos'd to the Tanjore King to leave that Officer as a Pledge with him and to receive what Money might be agreed upon and then return to his Country & on the other Hand he represented to Nanzeraz that the whole of his Army was ruined and that several of his Horses were seiz'd, and then he agreed with Nanzeraz to receive 8 Lacks of Rupees from him and to send for two or

three thousand Horse from his Country under the command of his Brother. Thus he negotiates with both. It is reported here that about 2000 Horse from Serangapatam were detach'd to the assistance of Nanzeraz and are arriv'd at Caroor. The Marata Horses here are continually marching round the Fort putting stop to the Provisions & notwithstanding the Major is sending out his Troops as far as Tarcatpelly & Tanjore in order to bring Provisions to the Camp once a Weak. There is no Scarcity of Grain at Present. The Major is exerting himself on all Occasions in order to gain a good Name to the Company and your Honour, The Harvest will continue 3 Months even at this Time it is attended with Difficulty to get sufficient Provisions as soon as the Harvest is expir'd it will be dear in which Case it will be hard to get it for the Use of the Fort, it is therefore requsite to procure a large store of Provisions in the Harvest. Concerning this and the affairs of the Countrys to the Southward and for Future proceedings your Honour may do as you think proper.

Just now I rec'd a Letter from my Vackeel in Tanjore acquainting me that the King honour'd Manozeys Brother with a Present of a Horse and Cloth in Pongall Feast and that Gadaraw is sick, that on his recovering his Health he intends to wait upon the King in order to desire him to make a Present of Cloth to Manozey and to detach him to Terchenepelly. M^{r}. Thomas Cooke is still in Tanjore. When I came hither I could hardly speak my Throat being very sore on Acco^{t}. of a Cold, for these two Days I find myself better thro' your Honours Favour. Since my arrival I waited upon the Nabob twice, there is nothing extraordinary, when there is I shall write it to you. On account of the Dangers in the Road, I sent my Letters before by a Catamaran from Termelwashel and I send this in like manner to you.

In my Letter to you of the 11th. Instant in the Marata Language I gave you a brief Acco^{t}. of the Palligars Negotiation with me by their Vackeel concerning Terchenepelly a Duplicate of which is inclos'd in the Jentue Language. On the 2^{d}. of Jan^{ry}. I wrote you a Letter from Tarcatpelly which I suppose is come safe to your Hands. In order that you might be fully acquainted with what the Palligars Vackeel said I must beg leave to inform you y^{t}. he said Nanzeraz had formerly possess'd several Districts of Terchenepelly & enjoy'd them to which he had no right nor had he any manner of Title to Terchenepelly Country, if this affair is suffer'd to lay dorment as it does at Present, Nanzeraz will never return which will not only put him to a large Expence but the Company also, even this well never settle the Country. Maraver and Tondaman are head Palligars in Terchenepelly who sent to acquaint me further in the following manner:—

As we have had no King from these twenty years past to rule this Country it was in a distress'd Condition and as we the Palligars are, 50, or, 60, in Number we are in very bad Circumstances having no Rular to command us. If his Honour settles this Country and appoints a Ruler over us it will be a Means to acquire him a good Name and Reputation. We shall pay the Tribute to the Nabob according as it was customary to the Subah of Arcot and act agreable to him and will endeavour to deserve his Honours Favour. This will settle the Country in which there will be upwards of 10 caroar of Persons who will always wish for the Companys Happiness and that of his Honour. Thus they sent to acquaint me earnestly and desir'd me to write to your Honour not to make it publick before this Affair is finish'd.

2. A Copy of a letter from Nanzeraz to M^{r}. Thomas Cooke.

I rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents. You say that you was surpriz'd to find a great Difference between my Message by a Jamadar & what I had wrote to you, I must tell you that the Message and the writing were equally the same and that there was no Difference It is not the Custom of the Mayasorians to keep one thing in the Belly or Heart and speak another. When there pass'd an Agreement between me and Mahomed Ally Cawn you was not in these parts and therefore are unacquainted with the Particulars which pass'd between us. While we were in our Country Mahomed Ally Cawn wrote to us that Chenda had taken Possession of Arcot & Terchenepelly and intended to ruin him that he was in Despair and should we join him at that Time and assist him with Money and an Army and clear him from the Injury of the Enemy we should enjoy Terchenepelly and that he would

reserve Arcot for himself to this End he swore all the Oaths prescrib'd by his Religion and sent us an Agreement. We look'd upon him as the Son of a great Man who would never fail in his Promise and undertook a Journey no less than 30 Jentue Leagues distance & prevail'd on Morarey who was then marching to Chenda's Army to accompany me and to whom I paid Money as also to your Troops and clear'd the Nabob from the affliction he was under till I arriv'd in this Country. The People who receiv'd Favours from the Nabob kept themselves at a Distance of a League and even those who had an Army of 3, or 4 thousand Horse did not chuse to join him, on the contrary they continued to supply Chenda's Army with Provisions not caring to be neuter, but on my Arrival I wrote them a Letter of Reflection promising my Protection to them in case of any Injury from Chenda or the French, by which Means I sent for them. Thus I assisted the Nabob to the utmost of my Power which is well known to the whole World. It would have been agreable to every one if the Nabob had perform'd his Engagement as soon as his Affairs were finish'd. The Distinction between Men of Honour [and] the lower sort of People is this, that the former will never chuse to forfeit their Words even if they lost their Fortune, Country, & Lives but the latter will act according to the Time and Opportunity they meet with. If the Nabob declin'd acting an honest Mans Part he should have said so at the same Time of his Affliction he swore an Oath to us according to his Religion that he had no time to give the Place to me, and that I should receive my Money and go away. If he had paid me what was my Due according to the Accounts, I would have return'd to my Country, but he instead of doing that promis'd to deliver the Fort to me in two Months and confirm'd the same in writing with the Oaths prescrib'd by his Religion in stronger Terms than before. The two months were limited by the Nabob of his own Accord, he swore an Oath before because of his Affliction, if so, why should he swear a Second Time ? and give me a writing as he was then clear from all manner of Afflictions & Troubles ? You say that the Fort belong'd to the Patcha. I must tell you that we are Servants to the said Patcha. Don't you think us to be such to the Patcha in Persia ? If this Fort is given to us, what Disadvantage can that be to the Patcha. If the Nabob had a mind to fail in his agreement then he should have paid me my Money to that Time and sent me away. Instead of doing that he promised the Fort should be deliver'd in two Months and march'd towards Tervedy but he did not perform this Promise, on this, I took him to be a faithless Man and wrote a Letter to him that if he would pay the Money laid out by me to that Day, I was willing to return. Sashagary Punt demanded the same of him which was then a small Sum. If he had paid it then, I would have return'd at the same time. In answer to my said Letter he began to say that he would stand to and perform the said Agreement, thus he delay'd for some Time. On this I wrote him expressively demanding the Payment. To this he answer'd and said that Morarey had march'd against him and that if he had then paid the Money, the People would think him timorous and that as soon as he had once beat him he was willing to perform the Agreement. Thus he delay'd a Month more. Then I wrote him, with Reflections but in his Answer to that, he acknowledg'd his Fault in not performing the Agreement and said that if I did not take ill what he had done and give my Word of Friendship to him again he was willing to act according to the Agreement and to that End he promis'd to send Sydoo Makatoom & Sashagary Punt but he gave me to understand that Sydoo Makatoom was then gone to Tanjore to his Sons Wedding but he expected him in a few Days, thus he delay'd for some time this he wrote to me in the November before last, which Numbers I letter'd and secured for fear he should deny the Truth. If he had paid my Money at that Time, it would not have swell'd our Demand to so large a Sum. You say that as I fought him it was not proper for me to demand the Payment of the Money, did I receive the Money and then come to fight him again or did I ever agree to receive any Sum and afterwards rejected it and begin to fight ? No, I refer this to your equitable Judgement. I desir'd he would either act agreable to the Agreement or pay what Money had been advanc'd, but ye not caring to comply either with the One or the Other, shew'd your Readiness to shoot and cut of with Swords. I suppose you expect me to submit to these Blows, if the whole World approves it I shall agree to it. If one offers to deliver any thing to a Man according to his Desire and receiv'd the Money on that Account and still put

him to an Expence he should either deliver the thing or repay the Money which he had receiv'd together with such Expence as he had been at but if he did not care to do that and offers a thing to which he has no liking and in such case should that Man refuse to take it and insist upon the thing for which he paid the Money or to repay what had been expended whether it is reasonable to raise Arms to attack such a Man in any part of the World? but if it is thought reasonable I shall then quit my Demand of the Expence from the Commencement of the Fight. If any ten Men either Indians or Mussellmen judge this Affair and declare with an Oath prescrib'd by their Religion that such a Sum was reasonable to demand and such was unreasonable I shall act accordingly. To this Purport I wrote a thousand times both to Mahomed Ally Cawn and your People. If you dont regard that and give Judgement yourselves, it can't be accepted. You did not care to consider the Perjury of Mahomed Ally Cawn and of his disgracefull Usage to our People whom he confin'd in the Fort. We demanded the Money which had been paid out on this Affair promising to return to our Country, even in this you desire me to be a Loser apart, all which gives me great Surprize. You say that my Army had been defeated several Times and is still meeting with the same Fate notwithstanding I continue to act to your great Surprize. Indeed ye are Conquerers and gain Victories wherever Ye go, you see in a Dream what may come to Pass in Future, you are not a People born in this World but descended from Heaven. As we are People born in this World, we are not in a Capacity to know future Events like You since it is so, why do you write me as aforesaid. A man who walks on the Ground is liable to slip but he that sets in the House is free from it, so that, he that fights is liable to a Defeat as well as to Success. I must inform you that there subsisted a War between us and Bedanore People 40 Years ago, which lasted 12 Years, When our Army was defeated by them no less than 11, times and on the 12 Attack we gave them a total Defeat, kill'd their General, seiz'd on the whole Camp as well as half their Country upon which, the Treaty was sign'd by each with an Oath, the said half of the Country was added to our Kingdom, so that, it is enlarg'd half as much as we formerly had. Since our Army did not care to retreat after so many or 11 Defeats as aforesaid at that Time, do you think we shall be oblig'd to retreat by a Defeat or two which has happened at present? No, if we are defeated even 24 Times We shall hope to have success on the 25th. Attack, as truth will always prevail. If you enquire into the Truth of the foregoing War of some old Seapoys up in the Country, You'll be satisfy'd with the Fact or if you enquire even in the City of Bedanore they will inform you of it. It is a thing well known to the World that if the Mayasorians undertake any thing they will stand to it. If a Prince be indebted to a common Seapoy He will stop him and receive his Money from Him. What is the Nabob? he is but a Subadar. We are the owners of a Kingdom if we can't receive of him what is our Just Due how is it that we preserve our Character? he should either pay what is due to us or deliver the Fort according to the Agreement, without he does either of these things Affairs can't be finish'd even if one was to tumble over with his Head downward in the Air. You need not write to me so often it is not in your Power to detain my Money and the Fort. You mention'd to me that they, suppos'd to be the Nabob &^{c}. would employ a large Number of men in the Fort to secure it. Let them take care as long as they will, I shall stay and see it. If you are able to employ People in the Fort to take care of it, I suppose you can't change their Reason into Inequity. Did any Body desire you to undertake this Affair? If you are a Mediator you should act impartially, on the contrary you protect all their Inequities & are doing more Injustice than they themselves. Nay, you come to fight us before they are ready, if so, can any Man chuse you to be a Mediator. Pray who begg'd you to undertake this Affair, if you continue your Protection to them you should pay the Money and finish this affair. While we were pressing our Debtor to pay his Debt, what Reason had you to come to fight us? this Indeed manifested your Faith to this World. One may trust Mahomed Ally Cawns Word as well well as Yours, I may also trust it to you, you had better be quiet than writing to me so often without any Reason. I have been inform'd that you are so covetous as to have sent eight several Times to demand the two Horses belonging to Gopalraz. If you endeavour to take the Horses from him because he lodg'd in your House, it is very

plain that you won't be backward to usurp any thing. It is not decent for one to write to a great Man telling him that so many Men in his Army were kill'd. I suppose you are unacquainted with the customary Rules of writing to a Gentleman. If some of my Servants died it was no Loss to me nor had they liv'd would it have been to any great advantage to me. You may observe that wherever a sheep rests a great deal of his Wool falls off from his Body but yet it is no Loss to him. I write to you that I shall hearken to whatever ten men may decide in this Affair by an Oath, but you did not care to comply with it, on the Contrary you are writing to me just as you please which will be of no Service. Take this into your Consideration and write to me of your Health.

No. 53.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Feb^{y}. the 7th. 1754.

This will be deliver'd you by the Officer Ensign Pricard who commands the Detachment I now send to join you. I gave it you as my Opinion that it will be for the Nabobs Interest to protect the Country between Arcot and Covelong till the Grain is collected and afterwards you may think of the Palligars but not before, as soon as ever the Agreement with Mootas Ally Cawn is sign'd send me a Copy attested by the Caudie. Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 54.

From Sydoo Phattally Cawn rec'd the 8th of Feb^{ry}. 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that on Account of the old Friendship between me Nabob Aneverdy Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawn, I arriv'd in Arcot very near 8, Months ago. On my Arrival, I wrote to you a Letter expressing my Desire to come to Madrass and pay a Visit to you, but I have not had the Pleasure of receiving your Answer. There subsisted a great Friendship between me and the Directors in Bengall. I hope therefore that you'll in regard to the old Friendship continue to write me, of your Health till an Opportunity offers to pay you a visit.

I have receiv'd a Letter from Nabob Mahomed Mohayan Cawn Bahadar Shoket Jung Phousdar of Cheacacole and Razamandrem desiring me to procure your Honours Assistance which Letter I send enclos'd for your Perusal. I suppose he has wrote to you also. As the said Shoket Jung is a Man of Truth and Honesty, You'll give your Assistance to him according to his Desire, this will gain you a great Name, let me know your Sentiments on this Affair that I may write one to Shoket Jung in Answer to his Letter.

What can I say more ?

From Mahomed Mohayan Cawn, *alias*, Japherelly Cawn
to Sydoo Phattally Cawn.

I receiv'd your Letter after a long Expectation giving me an Account of the Accidents in this World, you desir'd me to Send you News of Bengall and Cateck and to inform you whether there is a safe passage in the Road requesting me at the same Time to send you Cloth from Cheacacole, let me inform you that Zanozey and Mohan Sing adopted Son to Ragozey took Possession of the Subah of Cateck. Aga Mahomed Sheriff &^{c}. are Prisoners. They plac'd their Guards in different Places and are at War at present with the Zemeadar of Curda, there is no safe Passage in the Road. I have sent for Shaick Ahamed and Shaick Hassen who arriv'd safe at Mechelapatam from Macca. Touching the Affairs here, I must inform you, that wicked Viziaramraz forg'd several Letters in my Name and spent a large Sum amongst the Circars Muttesedees and obtain'd a Mensel and Jagueer as also an Order for the Delivery of Sedaporam Fort for his Nephew by Name Rajaparaz to live in. This he did when the late Gazedey Cawn came to Aurangabad and he then grew very proud. As soon as the

Disturbance of Gazedey Cawn was over and Sydoo Lascar Cawn was settled in his Business an Order arriv'd from Court to put a Stop to the Jagueer and the Fort but the said Viziaramraz collected an Army of Horse and Foot with a Design to rebell agt. me and joined Naraindava to him for these 8 Months and continues to fight. In the Time of the late Ramdoss Punt the French at Mechelapatam procured repeated Orders and sent them to me in order to demolish the english Factories at Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Woopera, and Madapalam but I in regard to the old Friendship between me and the English at Vizagapatam delayed it, & sav'd them which enrag'd the French against me as to persuade Viziaramraz to disturb the Country. My late ill Success was occasion'd by the Carelessness of the Army and by the Deceit of the Zemeadars in my Company which I suppose you have heard off. As the Fort at Padaporam was the Foundation of that wicked Viziaramraz's Rebellion, I follow'd him as far as Razamandrem where I left a proper Force and attackd him and as I gather'd a large Army thro' the Mercy of God, that Wicked Man's Troubles was quelld but now my Resolution is to quell the Disturbance of the French in this Country, as Rustem Jung *alias* Governour Saunder's Resolution is the same and his Intention is to replenish the Factories of Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Woopera, and Madapalam. As you are at Present at Madrass I took the Liberty to send a Letter to the said Governour thro your Means. If his Honour regards the Friendship and my Request on the above affair and supplys me with 5 hundred soldiers by Sea, I shall pay their Expence one with another 20 Rupees each, and moreover I will deliver the Villages about the Factories at Vizagapatam, Ingeram, Woopera, and Madapalam, to the Chiefs there, and I shall endeavour to increase the Investment in them. I must desire you'll explain this in a proper Light to his Honour & prevail on him to send the above Soldiers with some Mortors and their Necessaries, in so doing, his Honour will not only be deem'd an Instrument of the French's Distruction, but it will lay me under an Obligation. Send me an Answer as soon as possible for I am impatient to receive it. I wrote to my Deputy at Cheacacole to get ready the fine Cloth you desir'd, as soon as it is ready it shall be sent to you. May Happiness attend you.

No. 55.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 29TH OF JANRY AND REC'D THE 8TH OF FERY.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter, dated the 16th. of Janry. on the 26th. of the same Month and take the Liberty to answer it as follows.

You mention'd to me that the French would not hearken to a Peace, that they are endeavouring to draw off the King of Tanjore and that they are threatning him by sending the Army to ruin his Country, notwithstanding he continued firm in his Alliance which induc'd you to think it reasonable to assist him and to that End sent a Detachment of Men and Officers to Devicot and wrote to Major Lawrence to take the necessary Measures. I look upon this as prudent Step and proceeded from your Wisdom. Whoever declares himself for us it is reasonable to assist him as it becomes a good Sardar to do so. The Detachment arriv'd in very good Time which will be a means to encourage the Tanjorians regulate my Affairs and strike a Terror in the Enemy.

You mention'd also to me that in case of Salabet Jungs Arrival in this Country what was requisite to be done desiring me at the same Time to let you know my Thoughts on that Head. Let me inform you that from the Feast of Dasara, five Mos. are already expir'd in the present Year, there are three Months more wherein an Army can take the Field, afterwards Kishna River &c. will be swell'd by the Freshes, then the Time of Cheveny or taking Quarters will be requisite. I have not yet receiv'd any advice of the Salabet Jungs March from Aurangabad, I don't believe that he will come to these Parts this Year, besides he is quite destitute of money and the Seapoys in his Service are daily pressing him for their Pays, these will never agree to accompany him before they are paid off their Due, especially to the Carnateck Country, for, when they came along with Nauser Jung who had a large Treasury they met

with Ruin and Affliction and return'd. this made them despair of getting any Money from the Carnateck. When Balazerow was with Salabet Jung Mons^{r} Bosey prevailed on him and brought him as far as Calabarga in which Place the whole Army were press'd for their Pay, rais'd Commotions and told him that the Carnateck Country was quite ruin'd and the Grain was very dear and that it would be a difficult matter to get fire Wood and Grass and that he should discharge their due, increase their Pay and advance them some Money, and added that if he refus'd to comply with this, he and the French might go but their firm Resolution was not to go with him. Salabe Jung had no Money at that Time which oblig'd him to return but he is in greate Want at present in regard to Money, since it is so, he can't be enabl'd to march thi Way, but he may probably go to Golconda, to take his Quarters. If he comes let him, for you may observe that Nauser Jung had about 50 thousand Horse with him and with them he lay encamp'd within 2 Coasses of Gengey Fort notwithstanding he could not beseige it, in which there was no Horsemen except the French and altho' affairs were on this Footing there was a Scarcity of every thing in the Army which distress'd and ruin'd them. At length the French fell upon Nauser Jung by Night and kill'd him, as to Salabet Jung he has not such an Army as the other had, nor it is in his Power to collect a Force because of his present Poverty, in case he comes it may be in our Power to store the Fort with Provisions sufficient for the People with me by the Time he comes, in which case we can abide here, if not, we shall leave a number of men in the Fort proportionable to the Quantity of Provisions which may be in it and then I shall march with my Family and the Major to Fort S$^{t.}$ David where I shall abide and fortify the Fort of Arcot with every thing necessary to fight. Salabet Jung cannot stay in the Country more than a Month or two and as soon as he departs from this Province the whole Country will be again our Possession. There is another thing in View which is, On Salabet Jung's coming to this Province should we join him with 4, or 5 hundred Europeans the French Troops with him can be drawn off, for Salabet Jung is of Opinion, that without a regular Force of Hatmen, he cannot preserve the Subahship of the Decan Country. If he keeps no European Force with him, it is very probable that either Gazedey Cawns Son from Delly may come freely to the Decan Country or the Marata will take Possession of the same, for which Reason, should the English join him, he will quit the French, which I am convinc'd of by several Letters from the Ministers at Court.

You wrote to the Killedar of Valore agreable to the present Times that he should have every thing in the same manner as he had in the Time of my Father, which I approve greatly and find it proceeded from your Wisdom. Hakeamelly Akabar prime Minister to the said Killedar has wrote me a long Letter on this Affair, a Copy of which I sent enclos'd lately in Antazey Punts Letter. I shall agree to whatever was decided in the Time of my Father, his old Jagueers shall be confirm'd to him as usual, besides this, it is not right for the Killedar to trouble me with other things contrary to the usual Custom however I shall agree to your Pleasure in every Respect without Delay.

You say Nanzeraz was entirely in the Power of a certain People, desiring me at the same Time to let you know whether it would not be better to send a proper Person to negotiate with the King himself. The head Dallaway who is with the King at Serangapatam forbad his Actions before but he was so wicked to continue this Affair and as he is a lawful Brother to the head Dallaway, he will certainly take his Part, however it wont be improper to send a fit Person to negotiate.

Since writing the above, I received a Letter from Mohanlal Vakeel which I send enclos'd in Antazey Punts Letter. The Ministers there disagree with the French.

The Vakeel from Delly writes me y$^{t.}$ a Peace was concluded between the Patcha and Abdull Mansoor Cawn.

I sent for a proper Force from Abdull Bob Cawn. Write to him in an expressive Manner to send them as soon as possible, it will be attended with an Advantage to receive as much Force as I can from You.

No. 56.

FROM THE KING OF TANJORE RECEIV'D THE 10TH. OF FEBRY. 1754.

I receiv'd your Honours Letter and observe the Contents, you was pleas'd to say that the Enemys Scheme had been attended with Shame, that you congratulated me on that Account and that you had sent a Detachment to Devicot which will arrive here and that you wrote to the Major to concert such Measures as may conduce to the safety of this Country. I must tell you in reality my Country is your own, since it is so, can any one think of the safety of it except your Honour? The Enemy did not only plunder the Country, but kill'd several of the Inhabitants and Braminies, terrify'd the other Inhabitants & hinder'd them from returning to the Country to this Day. A Report is very current that the Marates intend to enter my Country again, which oblig'd the Inhabitants who return'd, and who are very few to leave their respective Towns. You was pleas'd to say also that in regard to the Provisions of the Fort you was sensible that I fulfilled my Agreement in advancing some Money and that if I assisted in getting a large Quantity it would be for the general Good. As the Country was disturb'd both the Inhabitants and Merchants left it, notwithstanding I gave orders even to forward the Provisions which may be brought thro' this Town to Terchenepelly, which are bought and carryed into the Fort, the Provisions are continually carryed and nothing wanting on that Head. As soon as the Country is settled, the Inhabitants return'd, and the Amuldars begin to act, the Merchants will freely carry Provisions. You mention'd to me if Monsr. Dupleix was agreable to the Nabobs Affairs and those of my Country, You'll hear him, otherwise you will not. I must tell you that Dependencey upon your Word and Strength made no Accot. of any Enemy, (who encreas'd their Hatred) and entered into the present Resolution. You should therefore promote the welfare of my Country, except you as other will do it. Our whole Dependance is upon your Honour. You mention'd to me that Dupleix had wrote to his Country that he would take Tanjore and Terchenepelly that you observ'd it by a certain Persons Letter but that you did not think that the Enemys continual Defeats and the Loss of their Cannon &c. and 1000 white men was the way to do it, you also added that they were dispirited, that the Dallaway was weakned & had spent an immense Treasure desiring me at the same time to consult with Major Lawrence and to let the Army act where their Presence was necessary when you say nothing can prevent our Victory. Your Honour is a Gentleman of good Reputation, your Aim is always good Fame and your design is upon general Happiness you are therefore meeting with Success in all your Undertakings. The Enemys intention is that every one should be ruin'd and they alone be Masters of every thing, this will never give him Success in any of his Affairs nor will it yield him a good Name but on the contrary they will meet with Shame wherever they go as they are daily loosing their Strength. Tho' the Dallaway is weakned still he is recollecting his Strength on Account of his Riches which he continues to spend. His chief Dependance is upon Morareys Army, if he returns to his Country the Dallaway cant stay here. Morarey sent to acquaint me that if the Nabob perform'd his Agreement with him and 3 Lacks of Rupees is paid him besides he was ready to return to his Country as he then receiv'd News of his Fathers Death. I communicated it to the Nabob who delay'd sending an Answer. On this the Dallaway and the French appeas'd Morarey by paying him a large Sum. Now Morarey has sent the same Message, which I wrote to the Nabob but he cannot dispatch that Affair, by this Trifle all Affairs will be at an end, but it cannot be dispatch'd, the fighting alone will not finish this Affair, but one ought to use several Stratagems on that Subject, of which I wrote lately to you, by which you'll know it. My Country was entirely ruin'd, there are neither Inhabitants or Amuldars in it at Present, nor is there any Incomes to be got by it. As soon as the Country is settled in some Respect and we begin to collect the Revenues I shall pay the Peoples Expence and manage the Business, without I pay them, they will not agree. My Estate is the Country and as it was ruined in the manner aforesaid the present Affliction attends me. The Army waits till they are paid before they set out of which I wrote lately to you. I observe what you write me concerning Salabet Jung and Balazeraw. I communicated

to you what Advice I received concerning them before. You acquainted me that you had deliver'd Salt Petre, Lead, and P. 300 to Ramaraw Vakeel who has wrote the same to me the said 3 hundred Pagodas was repayed here to Mr. Cooke who will write you the same. You intimated me that your Writer only knew the Contents of your Letters to me and that Affairs of Consequence should be kept secret hinting to me at the same to observe Secrecy here. I am sensible that what you are doing is fit and proper I shall observe the same Secresy on my Part you may be easy on this Head. For other Matters I refer you to the verbal Acco$^{t.}$ of Ramaraw. Continue to write me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

No. 57.

FROM SAKOZEY NAICK REC'D THE 10TH OF FEB$^{RY.}$ 1754.

I rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents. You say you was glad to hear of Gadazeraw and Manozeraws Victory over the Enemy. I must tell you that you are a Gentleman of good Reputation whatever you may undertake tho it be ever so difficult still it is easily finished. As we have your Honour for our Helper we shall meet with no Hinderance in our Success. Let the Joy of the late Victory attend your Honour. By your Honours Assistance I hope all Affairs of Consequence will also meet with Success according as you may desire. You mention'd to me that you had ordered a Detachment to join us at Devicot, as all his Majestys Affairs depends upon you, you did right by sending the Detachment. You mention'd to me also there was no Difference between the King, myself, and you, his Majesty's intention is the same for he thinks that between you [and] him, the Bodies are only different and that each others Affairs are to be deem'd the same and that you observe the same Step. I remain here as your Honour's Man. You desir'd me to assist your Peoples Business in every Respect you may observe that there is no Difference between your People and me. I look upon their Business as my own in every Respect and am dispatching it. You say that you'll order Salt Petre and Lead to be deliver'd to Ramaraw. If they are deliver'd to him, he will forward them hither. For other matters I refer you to the Verbal Account of Ramaraw. Continue your Favour & Friendship to me.

What can I say more ?

No. 58.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 3$^{D.}$ AND REC'D THE 11$^{TH.}$ OF FEB$^{RY.}$ 1754.

I receiv'd your Honours Letter dated the 24th of Jan$^{ry.}$ last on the 2$^{d.}$ Instant and was glad to hear of your Health. I take the Liberty to answer the several Particulers contain'd in your Letter as follows.

You was pleas'd to say that you act as a Mediator between me and the French and that it was necessary for me to be more particular in my Instructions to you and added that out of the Jagueer in the Possession of the French I should mention to you what Jagueer should be given them as also the Particulars thereof. You was pleas'd to say also that Major Lawrence will discourse with me concerning these Affairs and that as the French Deputys and ours are [at] Sadrass I shou'd lose no Time. Let me inform you that the French took Possession of Waldaver Circar together with the whole Districts belonging thereto by Force as well as the Districts of Chelembrem, Bonagary, Vankatampet, Teartanagary, Porto Novo, & under the Circar of Palem-Cotah, they also took Possession of the Districts of Gengey, Tercovalore, Yalawanasore, and under the Circar of Walagondapore, I have not got the Books of the Arcot Country with me. Sampetroy is well acquainted with the former Accounts of that Country. The Kanogo is also in Madrass, however I have excluded all the Districts in a direct Line from Madrass to Devicot as also those from Arcot to Terchenepelly and then remarked some Districts amounting to 5 Lacks of Rupees to be given to the French as you'll find by the Particulars thereof in a separate List enclos'd. I do empower you, you may therefore take notice of the circumstances of the said Districts by the Accounts in the Hands of Sampetroy and

then you may either give the same Districts or add, omitt, or exchange them. I have also wrote to Sampetroy what was necessary on that Head and enclos'd it in this. You'll get the Forts of Gengey and Waldaver restor'd to the Circar and in the Treaty or agreement which may be given by the French let it be mention'd that in the Jagueers given by them, they shall not build a Fort or leave Hatmen in them to injure the neighbouring People of the said Jagueer.

You mention'd to me that the King of Tanjore seem'd dilatory and that as he had rejected the Accomodation with the Dallaway he must be sensible that the War is continued on Acco$^{t.}$ of his Welfare as well as mine and ought to exert himself. I have wrote the King what was necessary on that Head. Sydoo Makaroomelly Cawn, has wrote to me from Tanjore that the said King was very dubious about sending an Army, but that he had now appeas'd Manozey and was resolv'd to send one to me under his Command. 'In Appearance I dont see his agreableness and Accomodation with the Enemy, the Horses that were seiz'd as plunder in the Tanjore Country and the Sardars who were taken Prisoners are still in the King's Custody. As soon as his Army arrives from Tanjore I shall let you know.

You say that Abdull Bob Cawn and Nazeabulla Cawn collects a large sum of Money. The Enemys are in Possession of Mechelapatam, Mustephenagar, Murtaza-nagar, and the Countrys as far as Vangole, &$^{c.}$ near Nellore and Saravapelly, and are seeking an opportunity to make Incursions, for which Reason Nezeabulla Cawn enlisted a proper Force besides the usual Number of Men there in order to guard and take care of the Limits, he pays them out of the Revenues of that Place and as there is a large Army with Abdull Bob Cawn. The Revenues of the Arcot Districts which are in his Possession are paid or assign'd over to the Payment of them. On my Part I order'd some small Matter to be paid out of the said Revenues to the Horsemen and Peons in my Company, notwithstanding I wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn to consult a Method in such Manner as to pay Money to the Company out of the said Revenues.

You say also that you had not yet receiv'd an Answer from Murtazally Cawn & that when you do, You'll acquaint me with the Particulars, your Honour may observe in regard to him that I shall agree to such Terms as was in the Time of my Father.

I received repeated Accounts of Mahaphooz Cawn's arrival towards Vangole and have therefore wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn that in case of his Arrival to order a proper Force to accompany him to this Place. I wrote to the Deputies at Ternamel and Tagada to order half the Forces in those Places to join the said Mahaphooz Cawn when he may arrive there. As the French Troops are at present in Aurangabad and in Company with Nanzeraz they have not sufficient Men in Genzey and Pondicherry to guard them, should the English Reinforcement join us at this Juncture the wicked Enemys will be terrifyd and they will either make their Escape or beg for a Peace. By the Blessing of God Affairs here will easily meet with Success and the advantage thereof will appear.

'What can I say more?

In Aneverdy Cawns own Hand.

The French had not even a Village in the Time of Sadatulla Cawn, but Subderally Cawn granted them, 5, or 6, Villages I thought fit to acquaint you with it.

A List of the Districts to be given to the French Viz–

Walla Nellore	1
Ternama Nellore	1
Savapatam	1
Tervamatore	1
Tercalore	1
	5, Districts

Amounting to Rupees 300000.

N.B. If you dont think proper to give the said Districts you may give Werda-chelam &$^{c.}$ 5, Districts. The Revenues of the above 5 Districts you may learn of Sampetroy.

No. 59.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 7TH. AND REC'D THE 13TH. OF FEBRY. 1754.

I receiv'd a true & repeated Account that Balazeraw's Vakeel was arriv'd in Cadapa and enlisted 200 Seapoys, 40 Horses, and 500 Peons and by the Advice of Termelraw of Terpetty sent them towards Terpetty and gave out that his Master has a Sanud for it from the great Mogull thus he lays claim to Terpetty I thought fit to acquaint you with it hoping that you'll let me know what is proper to be done on this Head that I may act accordingly.

What can I say more?

No. 60.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter which mention'd that you had sent Assistance to me, that the Nabob was largely indebted to the Company that the Expence of the Camp at Terchenepelly is supply'd by the Company that the Revenues are collecting, requesting me at the same Time to pay the Company's Money and to send you a Copy of Murtazally Cawn's Agreement under the Seal of a Caudy. By the Blessing of God all affairs from the beginning to this Day met with Success by your Favour and Assistance and will still continue to meet with the same, I must desire therefore that you'll give strict order to the Officer to obey and be agreable to me in every Respect, I shall then chastise the Rebels collect the Money and pay in a proportion to the Company and the Nabob, at present I have sent an order upon Walley Mahomed Cawn Amuldar of Terpasore Circar for a hundred thousand Rupees which is enclos'd in Sampetroys Letter. I hope it will be paid to you according to the Kists thro' the Means of the said Sampetroy. You desir'd me to send you the Agreement which may be given by Murtazalla Cawn a Decision of whose Affair is defer'd till I hear your Advice. You'll hear of his extravagant Demand by a Paper of his Request sent to you lately. My Desire is that he may finish his Affairs in the same Manner as it had been done in the Time of my Father, but he did not care to agree to it. You'll therefore ask Sampetroy to inform you fully how and in what Manner the said Affair was adjusted in the Time of my Father and what it is that he demands at present and then whatever proper advice you may give me, I shall act accordingly.

What can I say more?

No. 61.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN REC'D THE 14TH. OF FEBRY. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter In regard to the Friendship you mention'd to me that the Inclinations of us both are the same that is to say, that your Intentions are as mine and that I should regard the Contents of the Letter sent, as a Letter of Indulgence and [make] myself easy, all which I observe and like. It is true that a firm Agreement between two great Men is only a Word which is incerted in writing. I have a great Confidence and Satisfaction in your writing. Notwithstanding I spoke some certain Matters very fully to Mr. Smith according to Custom and he has wrote particularly to you, write it out agreable thereto and send it as soon as it comes to hand he shall come to your Place and inform you concerning the Friendship between us.

What can I say more?

THE FORM OF AN AGREEMENT UNDER THE SEAL AND SIGN OF THE GOVERNOUR AND COUNCILL OF MADRASS.

We give the following as a Writing from Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar to Nabob Gulam Murtaza Cawn Bahadar.

You may be easy and remain in Possession of your Districts & Places. Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar and his Talacadars or (the People who may belong to him) shall in no ways make any Alteration or molest you. In case of their Attempt, We shall not suffer them to do it. Should the French &c. come to fight you, We shall assist you in every Respect.

No. 62.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 13TH: AND REC'D THE 16TH OF FEB. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your friendly Letter by Ensign Piccard commander of the Troops you sent, which encreas'd our Friendship may God grant you a long Life endow'd with the same Favour and Goodness. Out of your Sincerity you was pleas'd to advise me to take care of the Districts between Arcot and Covelong till the Grain is collected as it will be for the Nabobs Interest, telling me at the same Time that the Palligars Affairs may be minded afterwards. I must inform you that the Maraters and the french Troops who were near the twelve Magans of Wandawashey &c. were defeated several Times by the Circars Amuldars who kill'd a great many of their Men and Horses, at length Morarey recall'd them to him. Mahomed Ameanedy Cawn who expell'd the Enemys from Tervatore under Wandawashey was appointed by me with an Army consisting of Horse, Seapoys, and warlike Stores to guard towards the Circar of Gengey, Waldaver, Chelembram, &c. in order that the Country on this Side may remain safe, the said Mahomed Ameanedy Cawn was already order'd to proceed forward. I also appointed Meer Phagazulla with a proper Force and order'd him to stay in Tervatore. At present there is a small Body of the Enemy towards Wootermellore who will also meet with Shame. I detach'd a proper Force to punish them and hope they will be expell'd from thence. On my Part, I shall abide in Conjeveram and I have firm hopes that the Countrys on this Side will be clear of the Enemys. I have an Army of 3000 Horse the same Number of Seapoys as also some warlike Stores with me, whose monthly Wages and Expence amounts to 150 thousand Rupees which must be punctually paid them every Month, besides which Nabob Mahophooz Cawn arriv'd in Nellore with 2 thousand Horse and the same number of Peons, and Seapoys with Warlike Necessaries and I expect him here in a short Time, however your Honour may observe that there is a large Expence. It is therefore impossible for me to support all this Expence and to send Supplys to the Nabob and pay Money towards the discharging the Companys Debt, the Income of the said Districts, the chief Income in this Country are the Tributes from the Killedars & Palligars, if they are collected I shall be able to get a good Sum of Money in order to supply the Nabob and to pay the Company as also the Seapoys to whom I owe 8 months pay. If a Power is given or the management of the above Affair is left to me, it will be very agreable. As I am ready to act conformable to your Pleasure I thought fit to give you a full Account of Affairs, let me know what is proper. I lately sent you an Order upon Walley Mahomed Cawn Amuldar of Terpasore for a hundred thousand Rupees to be paid in part of the Debt the Nabob owes to the Company which I suppose you have rec'd some time ago. I wrote to you what was Murtazally Cawns demand. If I give him a writing about what he demands he will on his Part give his writing agreable to it, let me know what is proper to be done on that Head. The Nabob was pleas'd to send me a Letter which I send enclos'd for your Perusal. On Receipt of the said Letter, I intended to have sent An Army to him, but as their 8 months Pay rests in Arrear they wont agree to go. Nabob Mahaphooz Cawn is expected to arrive here soon from Nellore with the above Army of 2000 Horse and the same Number of Peons and Wall piece bearers, in which case, it will be necessary for me to support their Expence. You was pleas'd to say that I should remain or take care of the Countrys between Arcot and Covelong to secure the Grain, but in so doing you must consider whether I can be enabled to support the Expence, supply the Nabob, and pay the Company. It is my Intention that as soon as Mahaphoz Cawn join me, to march jointly with each other agt. the Palligars and Killedars to collect Money to enable myself to pay the Army and send it to the Nabob which will be for his Happiness. You'll soon let me know what is your advice for I shall be obedient to any which may be given by you. As I am inclin'd to hear of your Health, continue to write to me of it.

What can I say more ?

No. 63.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR REC'D THE 17TH. OF FEBRY. 1754.

I empower you to be mindfull of my Dignity, desire and Interest, and then according to what I wrote in my former Letters to you, Please to negotiate with the French as you may think fit and proper, put an end to the Quarrell and conclude a Peace, I give this under my Seal with free Will and Pleasure. Dated in Terchenepelly Feb. 10th 1754

No. 64.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D THE 17TH. OF FEBRY. 1754.

Antazey Punt has wrote to me agreable to your Direction that I should send Assistance of Horse to the Nabob at this juncture which gave me great Joy and Satisfaction. I have the same Inclination but as there is 8 Mos. pay due to the Seapoys from me and their Wages daily encreasing, they are unwilling to go to the Nabob before they are paid their Due. It is my Resolution to undertake an Expedition against Bommaraz with my Army and that of Yours and to get a good sum of Money in 15, or 20, Days in order to pay the Seapoys and to send them to the Nabob. I hope therefore that you'll write the Commander of your Troops to obey and act in Conjunction with me in duo Manner. By the Blessing of God and your Favour this affair will be dispatch'd with Success very soon. I have orderd a proper Number of Horse and Seapoys between Arcot and Covalong which are able to beat 5 thousand Horse of Morareys, &c. in case of their Incursions, however you should shew sincere Favour to us. Continue to write to me of your Health to my entire Satisfaction.

What can I say more?

In Abdull Bob Cawns own Hand.

Your Favours to the Nabob are inexpressible, I must now desire you'll favour me in such Manner that I may find means to get Money by an Expedition agt. the Palligars and send an Army to the Nabobs Assistance as soon as possible.

No. 65.

TO NABOB ANNAVERDECAWN BAHAUDER DATED FEBRY. THE 17TH. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter and your Orders to treat with Monsr. Dupleix. I observe what you write concerning the Jagueers to be given the French, they will not hearken to reasonable Terms, I have therefore broke off the Treaty. The Reasons you give for Salabet Jungs not coming to this Province are very true but still there are some to be given which I think would induce him to do it. The French have a great command over him and will endeavour to prevail on him as it is their Interest. Should he suspect an Army may be sent against him from Delhi, he may think by being near Pondicherry he will be better able to support himself, besides he may have Hopes that if he comes he may recover the French that are Prisoners, which will add greatly to his Strength. For these Reasons and as the french ships will arrive as well as Ours in three Months more it is necessary to engage them as soon as possible. I have wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn to send the Horse. He delays by saying they have not rec'd their Pay. I shall continue to write him. If he joins 500 to the 1000 that are with Mahauphez Cawns it may be of great Advantage. I have also advis'd the King of Tanjore to join you immediately, if these were done you might have great Hopes of Victory as the Enemy are dispirited. It will be necessary that a Years Provision be put into Tretchenopoly Chingulaput and Arcot. The Safety of these Places depend on it and if the Prisoners could be anywhere secur'd out of the Reach of Salabet Jung it would be better. I desire you will write to Abdull Bob Cawn to put the Provisions into the above Places. You are sensible we are continually at a very great Expence on the Circars Account. I request therefore you will send me a Note under your Seal that the Circar is answerable for what Expenses we may and have been at in assisting you to defend the Province. Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 66.

To the King of Tanjore dated Feb^{ry}. 17th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter wherein you say that as soon as the Harvest is collected and the Horse and Seapoys are paid you will order them to join Major Lawrence. I give my opinion that the sooner it is done the better, not even an Hour should be delay'd, I am inform'd the Enemy are weak and dispirited which will make the Victory easier, it is said Salabet Sing is coming to the Province and you know that in two or three Months more the Ships arrive from Europe. Should the Nabob stay so long before he engages them it will be attended with more Difficulty, therefore as you are wise you will not delay. I wrote you that I thought the French would not hearken to Peace upon reasonable Terms, they want the whole Government of the Province. I therefore recall'd M^{r}. Palk who will soon come to you, who will inform you of every thing. Morarow is not to be trusted he would receive the Money and then break his Word, he is in the Dallaways Interest who is rich. I have wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn to send some Horse to the Nabob. If you will exert yourself by the Blessing of God every thing will meet with Success according to your Wishes. Continue to write me of your Happiness.

No. 67.

To Succojee Naigue dated Feb^{ry}. the 17th 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter and am oblig'd to you for the Assistance you give my People. I desire you will continue it. I shall regard your Affairs in the same Light. I have wrote fully to the King who will inform you of every thing. By Accounts I have of the Enemy they are weak, therefore no time should be lost, your Troops should join the Major. One more Victory will quite dispirit the Enemy, and the Nabob and King will be happy. Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 68.

To Mootas Allee Cawn dated Feb^{ry}. the 17th 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter and observe the Contents, the following you may look upon as a Letter of Indulgence.

We are in alliance with the Circar therefore support Nabob Mahomed Allee who is by the Patcha appointed Subah of the Carnateck, and whereas we are desirous a Friendship should subsist between you and the Nabob, He has given us Power and we do in his Name promise you shall enjoy your Jagueers and Districts in the same Manner as under the old Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahauder as you promise to assist and maintain a firm Friendship with him, and we further promise that if the said Nabob should endeavour to distress you and not let you enjoy the above unmolested we will assist you, and if any other Enemy should endeavour to disturb the Peace of the Province and injure you we will assist you as we are in alliance with the Circar, We shall justly perform our Promise as you will Yours.

No. 69.

To Sydoo Phattally Cawn dated Feb^{ry}. the 17th. 1754

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein you mention'd the friendship between the Nabob and you, this gave me a particular Satisfaction. You say you had wrote me a Letter desiring to come to Madrass. I have not rec'd it, if you continue that Desire, you may live in Madrass with the same Ease as in your own House.

I must inform you a Friendship has a long Time subsisted between me & Mahomed Mohayan Cawn Bahaudar. We constantly write each other there is no Difference between us. I regard his Affairs as my own. Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 70.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Feb^{ry}. the 18th. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Several Letters & observe the Contents. I still think it will be best for you to support the several Countrys in collecting their Grain, first, because from hence the Nabob will receive Money, you may make your Demand on the several Palligars afterwards. I can say no more in regard to Mootas Ally Cawn than that as the Nabob has given me a power I shall give him a Letter of Indulgence to enjoy peacebly the Jagueers & Priviledges he did under Nabob Annaverdy Cawn, in case he maintains a strict Friendship with the Nabob. If Disturbances are fomented at Tripoty, Nizabulla Cawn who is near that Place with his Army should put an end to them. The Nabob acquaints me that he has wrote you to send him some Horse, you know that every thing depends on the Success at Tretchenopoly, therefore don't hesitate a Minute but join as many Horse as you can to that 1000 that are with Mahauphez Cawn and dispatch them to the Nabob. You are his Brother and should therefore assist him. Antajee Punt will send you the monthly Charges of Arcot &c. Places. Send me Orders on the different Ammuldars to pay those Sums. He will likewise send you an Account of what has been paid at those Places to the several Officers, let it be settled by Sampetrou. I have wrote to you several Times and again desire you will write me whether you receiv'd from Cap^{t}. Pigou just Satisfaction in the Affair you complain'd of him. Let me constantly hear of your Health. I rec'd a Letter from you this morning. You say the Horse are in Arrears, you shou'd satisfy them, it is not handsome to delay and make Excuses when one's Brother is in Necessity.

No. 71.

To Mahauphez Cawn dated Feb^{ry}. the 18th. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to hear from Abdull Bob Cawn of your Arrival at Nelloore. This gave me a particular Satisfaction as I have an Opportunity of encreasing the friendly Correspondence I had [when] you was Nabob of Chickacull. He tells me you are desirous of having your Family in Madrass. By all Means send them and think as there is no Distinction between us that I shall regard them as my own. I need not write to you of the Nabobs Affairs as you are well acquainted with him. I can only tell you that the sooner you join him with your Force the better it will be. Write me constantly of your Happiness.

No. 72.

From Ramah Naick dated the 3^{d}. and rece'd the 19th. of Feb^{ry}. 1754.

I lately sent to you four Letters, two from the Catamarans from Termelwashel and the other two by Toppies, which I suppose gave you a full Accouut of Matters. Affairs here are still in the same situation, there is nothing extraordinary. Nanzeraz is not in the same Disposition as he was five, or 6 months ago. At present, they say, he is firmly inclined either to get the Fort or the Money which he had hitherto expended. The Major therefore told me not to send any Letter or Message to Nanzeraz without your Knowledge as I and he will act according to the Orders which may be sent by your Honour. I inform'd you that my Vakeel from Tanjore wrote to me that the King was inclin'd to give a Present to Manozey and to send him with an Army, but it seems the Army will not come. When it arrives here we can believe them. The King has a Boil on his Thigh which confines him within the Palace. Gadaraw also keeps himself within his own House on Account of sickness he does not go to the Durbar. Sahozey Naick fasted 4 Days because of his Sickness which detain'd him in his House. Manozey alone goes up and down, but he and

Sahozey and Naick can never agree. Capt. Pascol with a Detachment arriv'd here Yesterday. It is reported that Morareys Mother and Brother are coming to endeavour by all means whatsoever to appease him and to prevail on him to return to his Country. I lately wrote to you that there was a Report that 2000 Horse from Serangapatam were coming to the Assistance of Nanzeraz which are not yet arriv'd near Caroor. They say these Horses will come. Nanzeraz conquered Torayore Palam and gave it back again to the Palligar there on his agreeing to pay him two Lacks of Rupees. On account of the Dangers in the Road I shall write my Letters upon small Paper and fold them up in a small Compass to be sent to you. You'll be pleas'd to excuse me. The Major advis'd that as it would be difficult in the Road to convey long Letters safe to you to write short ones, as I shall comply with it, I must repeat you'll excuse me. I have hitherto been out of Order, but now by your Four [*sic*] enjoy my Health. Please to send your Directions for my Proceedings here..

No. 73.

From Nabob Annaverdy Cawn dated the 12th & rec'd the 19th of Febry: 1754.

By the blessing of God Viziaramraz dispatch'd affairs of great Consequence. It is necessary to assist him. I hope therefore that you'll yeild all the Assistance in your Power, if not, let it alone.

What can I say more?

No. 74.

From Nabob Annaverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 14th and rec'd the 23d. of Febry. 1754.

Major Lawrence tells me that you are desirous I should send Copies of the Saneds in my Name, agreable to which I have sent Copies of the Mogulls Phirmand and the Hassebull Hucam under the Seal of Nabob Bahadar Javeed Cawn as also Copies of the Saneds under the seal of Nizameldavala, Nabob Phearoz Jung, Nabob Salabet Jung, and Nabob Auseph Jah Shohobedey Cawn attested with the Caudys Seal and likewise Copies of his Excellency's Letters. I must tell you that the Saneds in my Name are perfect and granted for the Government which devolv'd upon me as an hereditory Right. My deceas'd Father had a Saned from Nizamal Mulock and at his Death he obtain'd a Saned also from Nizameldavala but as soon as he was kill'd in the fight by Hedayet Mohadey Cawn, Nizamalduvala came to this Province and granted a Saned in my Name and at whose Death the said Mogulls Phirmaund and the Hassebul Hucam were arriv'd as also repeated Saneds from Nabob Phearoz Jung and Salabet Jung. The French my Enemy have no Manner of Pretext to dispute these Saneds. If they have any writing from Hedayet Mohadey Cawn in their Hands it is of no Force, for the said Hedayet Mohadey Cawn has had no Saned for himself but on the Contrary he was a Rebel. The French have a great Power over Salabet Jung and from whom they receive what writing they please, notwithstanding he sent a Saned in my Name. Nabob Phearoz Jung and Nabob Salabet Jung wrote Letters to you by which you'll be convinc'd of their favourable Inclinations. By the Blessing of God the Saneds in my name are sound you are sensible of the Nature of Affairs and likewise you are a Gentleman of Experience, I must desire you'll settle the Difference according as I wrote before and as you may think proper and profitable, my Hopes are are [*sic*] in your Honour. By all means I am Obedient to any Advice which you may think best.

What can I say more?

A List of the Mogulls Phirmaund Hassebul Hucam under the Seal of Nabob Bahadar Javeed Cawn and the Copies of the Saneds attested with the Caudys Seal, sent to Madrass thro' the Means of Major Lawrence dated the 14th. of Febry: 1754.

The Mogulls Phirmaund—	1
Hassebul Hucam -	1
Saneds under the Seal of Nauser Jung—	7
A Saned under the Seal of Phearoz Jung—	1
A Letter ... ... Do:	1
A Saned under the Seal of Salabet Jung—	1
A Letter ... ... Do:	1
A Saned from Shohobedey Cawn	1
	14

N.B. Besides these Copies of Salabet Jungs Letters to the Mayasorians and Morarey are to be seen upon a Paper without Seal.

No. 75.

From Abdull Bob Cawn dated the 23d. and rec'd the 25th. of Febry. 1754.

By the Blessing of God Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn arriv'd in Tervalore on the 22d. Inst. I shall pay him a Visit. The Troops I sent to different Parts are firm and busy in expelling the Enemy. At present I have no other Inclination than to undertake an Expedition agt. Bommeraz. I shall therefore begin my March on that Expedition at the Head of the said Mahaphooz Cawns Army with my Troops & those of the English. I thought fit to acquaint you with the foregoing as I think it advisable.

What can I say more?

In Abdull Bob Cawns own Hand.

It is proper to undertake an Expedition directly agt. the Palligars, 'tis not proper to delay even a Minute, in case of an Expedition. I am in hopes to raise Money in 10, or 15 Day and then to join the Nabob with the whole Army and in Company with the said Mahaphooz Cawn. Please to write to the Officer who is with me to act and exert himself agreable to my Direction. I am vastly pleas'd with Mr. Pickard Sardar of your Troops with me.

No. 76.

From the King of Tanjore rec'd the 26th. of Febry. 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter and observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to say that Mr. Cooke mention'd to me the accomodating Matters with the Dallaway which I did not accept and that the Nabob had wrote to you that Morarey was not to be trusted, that it remain'd only to oppose the Enemy and you added that the Enemy were weakned and that we should not give them Time and requested me therefore to join as soon as possible, consult with Major Lawrence and punish the Enemy. In regard to the Accomodation Mr. Cook sent several Messages to the Dallaway but he did not desist in his Hopes of getting the Fort, of which I wrote lately to you. It is true that we can't trust Morarey. He was necessitated lately to return to his Country for which Reason he sent two Messages to me of his own Accord but we could not get the Money. Nanzeraz and the French are appeasing him with an offer of Money. You desir'd me to join, I must inform you that I depended upon your Promise and Strength and enter'd into the present Resolution there is no Occasion to doubt the Truth of it on any Acco. Your Honour may observe that a continual Affliction attends my Country. When Chenda was living he injur'd the Country and hinder'd

me from getting the Revenues. At that Time I borrow'd money to pay the People maintaind the War and dispatch'd Business, immediately after which a Dispute arose between Nanzeraz and the Nabob concerning the Fort which occasion'd a fresh War and when the Nabob lay at Tarvady I was desir'd by writing to send a Force to join him, but as that Time was Harvest, I in order to save the Product delay'd to send the force, and by that means I gathered somewhat out of the said Product but in the Interim the Nabob march'd thro' my Country in order to go to Terchenepelly, Morareys Troops follow'd him, plunder'd my Country and ruin'd it, they kill'd both the Braminys and Inhabitants, of which you must be sensible. On the Nabobs Arrival in Terchenepelly, I delay'd to send the Force at that Time, you was pleas'd to give your Word and Promise and sent a Firelock and Watch upon which I depended upon your Promise and provoked the Enemys by sending an Army with Sardars to the Assistance of the Nabob. By the Blessing of God your Honour was a Gentleman of good Reputation, and we therefore got the better of the Enemy in 2, or 4 difficult matters tho' the Enemy had a greater Force with them. At length they left the Field and shelter'd themselves in Serangam which they fortify'd as a Fort and digg'd a Trench round it and reside there with a full Firmness. Morarey lately sent his Army to my Country and caus'd it to be plunder'd and several of the Braminys and Soodras to be killd and he did several other improper Actions which is impossible for me herein to express to you. These Hostilities are well known to the World. By the help of God the Army which I sent to resist, prov'd so successfull as to give a total Defeat to Morareys Troops. Thus we are annually involv'd in War and Troubles. The Country is my only Estate, We must support all our affairs by it. The Harvest did not approach till now, I had therefore borrow'd some Money, before of the Merchants which I paid to the Army and appeas'd them with a Promise to pay them handsomely in the Harvest which had met with Ruin by the following Accidents. There was a Crop of the Caur Pady which was destroy'd partly by the excessive Rains and partly by the Marata Disturbance. Now a Crop of Pashanam Pady is ready but not like the last year. The excessive Rains damag'd it, the Inhabitants who deserted the Country are not yet return'd. Should we at this juncture possess ourselves of any part of the Product it would enable us in some Respects to pay the Army the Creditors and support ourselves by that Means. As our Army is oblig'd every Year to take the Field and is harrass'd to that Degree that it cannot be supported unless we encrease their pay. Nanzeraz is very rich, he does not value Money, he sends Advances to the people and draws them on his Side. Whereas it seems difficult for us to pay the Peoples Wages. As to the Nabob he is in low Circumstances. The Army must be supply'd with Provisions from my Country, and I must get money from the said Country to pay my People. Tho the Enemy is weakned, yet he is powerful by Money besides which he has entrech'd himself in the Pagoda for which Reason we cannot at once attack and beat him out. The Enemy on his Part cannot attack Terchenepelly and take it. Thus both Partys are strong. These Affairs will take up some Time to be finish'd. We are therefore resolv'd to make use of means so as to possess ourselves of the Product of the Country in some Respects for our Support in some Degree and then endeavour to dispatch all Affairs. As we have possess'd part of the last Year's Product we have hitherto supported the Nabobs Affair & if we in like manner possess ourselves of the present Years Product we shall be enabled to support the Nabobs affairs a year longer. I rec'd a Letter from Balazeraw on the 11th. Inst. He set out on the 10th. Day of September Feast and return'd again to the Town on Account of the Wedding of his youngest Son, which he celebrated he therefore advis'd me by the said Letter that he would undertake his March to these Parts He has wrote the same to the Nabob. In a Months Time the said Balazeraws Army will arrive here and in the Interim I shall be able to collect the Product. By the Blessing of God all Affairs will then be commenc'd according to your Desire that you may gain a good Reputation by it. As there is no Distinction between us I thought fit to acquaint you with the whole Particulars. You was pleased to say that Monsr. Dupleix sent his Vakeel to Sadrass to treat, that you'll advise me what passes, that you'll regard my Affairs as your own and that you'll suffer nothing to be done but what is for my own Benefit. Your Honour may observe that I and this Country are yours and as I depend entirely upon your Promise there is no Occasion for me to

consult a Method to support the Country. I am sensible that you'll do whatever may be conducive to the Preservation of it and my Happiness. I rec'd a Letter from Mons^{r}. Dupleix wherein he acquainted me in the manner following.

The Governour of Madrass has wrote to me that Jan Bagun promis'd you by a Letter to restore the Villages belonging to Corical as also to give 10 Lacks of Rupees in ready Money and likewise to deliver you 10 Lack worth of the Country out of Terchenepelly provided you maintain a brotherly Friendship and that you sent that Letter to him the said Governour I must therefore desire you'll inform me fully on that Head.

I can't tell whether your Honour wrote him as above upon any Business, if you did not write to him certainly it must be his own Invention. I return'd my Answer to M^{r}. Dupleix and told him that your Honour was sensible of Aulem Cawns Negotiation on the like Terms in the Time of Chenda's Troubles which must have induc'd you to write to him as above. I thought fit to acquaint you with the foregoing. I must desire you to let me know fully of what pass'd there or whether you wrote to him or not. I have herein acquainted you of what pass'd here. I am yours and my entire Dependance is upon you and you are giving an Instance of your Protection to us, there is no doubt of it, I am very well assur'd. For other matters I refer you to the verbal account of Ramaraw. Continue to write me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

No. 77.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 17th. and rec'd the 28th. of Feb^{ry}. 1754.

A small Body of english Troops & Seapoys were sent to Tercatpelly in order to bring Provisions who return'd with it on the 15th. Instant when an Engagem^{t}. ensued on a sudden between the whole Body of the Enemys Troops who lay at Cotapara and the said Troops who were greatly distress'd, notwithstanding they acted as brave Men and gave Proofs of their Valour. Major Lawrence will write to you fully on that Head. Some Men on our Side were kill'd, the Enemy on their part lost twice or three times as many of their Men, Horse, and Sardars. By the Blessing of God we shall take a full Revenge by endeavouring to extirpate the Enemy. I have been inform'd that Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn is arrivd in Nellore and Saravapelly. I hope he will be at Arcot by this Time, he has a proper Army with him, he arrivd in good Time which is owing to the assistance of God. I have wrote him to come hither as soon as possible at the Head of his Army and that of Abdull Bob Cawn. You'll on your Part send a proper Detachment of your own with Guns & Stores along with him, if not, you'll send them by Sea. On the arrival of these Armies and Detachment from you, the King of Tanjore, Tondaman, &c^{a}. will join us, in which Case the Enemy will be defeated entirely or beat out of the Field. In regard to the Negotiation with the French I lately wrote very fully to you. I sent you Copies of Letters, Saneds, &c^{a}. thro' the means of the Major. I am obedient to your Pleasure and the best Advice which you may give me. I am in continual Remembrance of your Kindness.

What can I say more ?

In Aneverdy Cawn's own Hand— .

It is impossible for me to express the Pains you take on Acc^{t}. of my Good. In my Opinion I cannot make a suitable Return to your Kindness even if I used my Endeavours as long as I live. May God grant you a long Life. We are in great Want of a Reinforcement, send it with all possible Speed.

No. 78.

FROM AVALAGA SAIB REC'D THE 28TH. OF FEBRY. 1754.

Some time ago I requested your Honours Permission by a Letter to send my Family to Poonemelly in which Place they liv'd about 40, Years but lately retir'd to to Sadrass on Acco^{t}. of the Disturbance, in Answer to which, you was pleas'd to say that it was better for them to live in Madras which I should look upon as my own. I am sincerely Yours. I intended to go to Madrass with the Family but in the Interim Nabob Abdull Bob Cawn desir'd my Company by a Letter. I thereupon went to him. Now Poonemelly is under your Jurisdiction where my Family live'd a long Time for which Reason they like to stay there. If you please to permit me I shall send the Family to the said Place. In a short Time I hope to take my Leave of the Nabob and then come to you to have the Happiness of paying you a Visit.

No. 79.

FROM MAHOMED MAHAPHOOZ CAWN REC'D THE 1ST. OF MARCH 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter after a long Expectation you was pleas'd to intimate that you maintain'd a friendly correspondence with me when I was Governour of Cheacacole and that you met with an Opportunity at present to renew the Friendship. Praised be God that the Friendship between us is of a long standing or upon a firm footing, as you regard it. I am much oblig'd to you especially for the Continuance of the old Friendship and the brotherly Assistance given to Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar. Our Obligations to you are very great and it is impossible for us to return suitable Thanks for the Favours receiv'd. May God grant you a long Life endowed with the same Goodness.

I came to these Parts purely to pay a Visit to your Honour and to return you thanks for the past and present Favours but Nabob Aneverdy Cawn was pleas'd to desire me by a Letter to come to his Assistance, which I did not think proper to neglect. I have therefore resolv'd to assist him and to that End I intended to receive some Money from Abdull Bob Cawn who paid a visit to me at Parembaca, for the Expence of the Troops and then to undertake my March to Terchenepelly but finding him incapable of doing any thing, I desir'd him to go to Conjeveram and settle the Districts of Calasa, and to oppose the Enemy who are in Tervatore &c. On my Part I began my March on the 25th Ultimo and arriv'd in Tacolam. By the Blessing of God I shall endeavour to collect the Peishcash Money to enable myself to assist the Nabob. If you design to send a Detachment of the Hatmen &c^{a}. to the assistance of the Nabob send them hither to me that I may take them with me to assist him: may Happiness attend you.

What can I say more ?

No. 80.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D THE 3D. OF MARCH 1754.

By the blessing of God Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn arriv'd here with a proper Army and Necessarys. I thereupon join'd the whole of my Troops and necessaries of War under the Command of Yakalass Cawn and Danishmerd Cawn &c. Sardars to the said Mahaphooz Cawn in order to go to the assistance to the Nabob who was pleas'd to write to me several Times on that Head, but for want of Money to bear the Expence, they undertook an Expedition ag^{t}. Bommeraz to collect the Peishcash Money in order that it might be paid to the Seapoys who desire nothing but Money to enable themselves to bear the Expences of the Road and then to proceed on their March to the Nabob. If your Troops join'd him on this Juncture the Affair may be dispatch'd sooner, now if you please to send as many men as you are able to Mahaphooz Cawn the Affair will be finish'd sooner and better. Agreable to your Direction I remain in Conjeveram with a small Body of

my own Troops as also with what you sent. The Enemys are raising Disturbances in Tervatore Country they Took Possession of the Castle Tallar and are busy in ruining the Country, if so, it is necessary for me to send Troops to punish and expell the Enemys and to clear or retake Taller and the Districts which they had possess'd. If I desire your Troops to undertake it they say their Orders are not to [go] beyond Conjeveram. I am near the Enemy. If I dont punish them at this Juncture it will not only ruin the affair but will make them saucy. The Affair which may relate to a Place or Town ought to be considerd of or dispatch'd in the same Place or Town, but when Business may require, it is no ways advisable to differ till they get an Order from you and to wait untill they receive an answer as it will be a means to spoil the Affairs. The best Advice is that you send Orders to the Sardar of your Troops to obey me in a due manner and to go wherever I may send him upon the Circars Business and to punish the Enemys without any manner of Delay, and dispatch it. As I am desirous to hear of your Health, write to me that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more.

In Abdull Bob Cawn's own Hand—

For a particular Acco^{t}. of Matters, I refer you to Antazey Punts Letter. I have nothing further to add.

No. 81.

To the King of Pegu dated March the 4th. 1754.

The Captain of the English Vessell that was lost on your Coast near Syrian is arriv'd here and has inform'd me that the greatest Part of his Cargo was sav'd and that you took the following Particulars into your Possession.

Sugar 64 Baskets.
Sugarcandy. 11 Baskets
Allum—30 Bags
Long Pepper 12 D^{o}.
Tuthenague. 708 Slabs.
Arrack—21 Casks.
Sugar & Sugarcandy 23 small Baskets.

As these Goods belong to the English I desire you will order them to be restor'd. Many other Particulars of the Cargo were got on shore & seiz'd by your Subjects which I hope you will also order to be restor'd that the Friendship between us may increase.

No. 82.

From Chitta Gurvaraz receiv'd the 4th. of March 1754.

It is a long Time since you was pleas'd to make an Enquirey of me by sending Letters, on my part I am constantly wishing for your Happiness. Both you and the Nabob treated me favourably or without any Manner of Distinction, and as you are a superior Supporter in every Respect, I obey'd your Orders in giving my assistance in the Affair of Terpetty and Chenderagary with great Pain and Trouble. I also gave my assistance in the same Manner when Calacawn plunder'd the Arcot Country. Your Honour is sensible of these Matters. I have an Army of ten thousand Men and am willing to exert myself in the Affairs of the Circar thereby to gain your Favour. I have orderd a proper Vakeel to go and discourse with Sampetroy and your Honour about finishing the Affairs of my Governm^{t}. but in the Interim Nabob Mahaphooz Cawn march'd with an Army and plunder'd a part of my Country and he is at present towards Tartany. If he uses the People who took trouble in his Affairs in the Manner aforesaid, what can I say to it? My Agent Ramakrishna Sastruloo will give you an Acc^{t}. of Matters. Please to send me an Answer for my future Proceedings, take the foregoing into your Consideration and let me know if I can be of any Service here.

No. 83.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated March the 5th. 1754.

I rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents. I must tell you that the Expedition against the Palligars is a work of Time but the Nabobs Affairs at Terchenepelly are very pressing, your Delay in sending Troops to his Assistance occasions great loss. On my Part I continue firm in my Promise of Alliance but if you are dilatory I cannot help it. I again write that youll send the Assistance to the Nabob with all possible speed. I need not urge much to you on that Head.

No. 84.

From Nisar Mahomed Cawn Killedar of Chetpet dated the 5th. and receiv'd the 10th. March 1754.

I lately sent you two Letters but I have not had the Pleasure of receiving an Answer the Omission of which I impute to no other thing than to your Happiness. When your Honour resided in Vizagapatam, Nabob Murshed Colley Cawn deceas'd went to the said Place for Diversion at the same Time, I had the Happiness of seeing you. As you maintain'd a great Friendship with the said Nabob, You'll in regard thereto be favourable to me. They have not good Guns upon the Fort in this Province. There are some Guns in my Fort, out of which, 5, or, 6, are fit for use the Remr. which are 12 are old. I must therefore desire you'll supply me with 4 large Guns fit for the Use of the Fort, let two of them be two Pounders of the french pieces & the other two of 9 Pounders of the English. I shall send you the Cost. You'll be pleas'd to assist me in every Respect.

What can I say more?

No. 85.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated March 10th. 1754.

Barkey Vankataraw Vakeel to the King of Mayasore has represented to me Ragonad Hazary who was his servant detain'd about 19 Firelocks and two Pistols in his Custody, and that he is now either in your Camp or at Arcot, which makes me desire you'll order him to deliver up the said Arms to the Vakeels People but if he mentions any thing of Accots. between them send him hither with the Firelocks and Pistols that he may settle the Account with him.

No. 86.

To Mootas Ally Cawn dated March the 13th. 1754.

Mr: Smith is arriv'd here. I expected but was disappointed in not receiving by him a Letter from you in Answer to that I wrote you. A Letter directed to Mr: Smith fell into my Hands, you are not acquainted with our Customs which are that Nobody writes or receives Letters from the Country Governmt. but myself. You mention something in this Letter concerning Mahauphez Cawn. As the Nabob and You are now one I desire you will write me fully on this Occasion that I may be able to judge of Affairs. Happiness attend you.

No. 87.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated March the 13th. 1754.

I wrote you lately that it was my Opinion you ought immediately to send your Troops to the Nabob. I thought it absolutely necessary to dispatch this Affair with the greatest Expedition and have accordingly embarqued a Detachment of Europeans for Davecota. I know your Affection to him is great and therefore have no Occasion to urge more to you than if you have not already I desire you will directly

send your Troops or his Affairs will be ruin'd. Let me know and advise the Nabob what Road they go that he may have timely Notice to join them, and prevent any wicked Intentions of the Enemy. Sampatrou will inform you Bommeraze will make up Affairs with you, which I hope will remove all Difficultys.

No. 88.

To Mahauphez Cawn dated March the 13th. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein I observe the happy meeting between you and Abdull Bob Cawn that you had march'd to collect the Piscash that you might be enabled to assist the Nabob and desiring I would send the Hatmen to join you. I must inform you that knowing the great Dependance that is upon these Men that they might arrive safe I have sent them on board ships to Devecota. As I know the Nabobs Affairs requir'd them I did not delay an Hour, you should make haste and march to his Assistance when by the Blessing of God the Nabobs Affairs will meet with Success. Write the Nabob what Rout your Army will take that he may concert Measures with you and prevent any wicked Schemes the Enemy may have. Let me constantly hear of your Happiness.

No. 89.

To Bommerauze dated March the 15th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents. You say that a Friendship subsisted between you and the Nabob whom you have assisted and that Mahauphez Cawn has now committed Hostility in your Country. I am sorry that any thing should happen to cause any disagreement. I am a stranger to the Country Customs but am told tis usual to pay to the Circar a Sum of Money annually. Whether it be so or not I cannot say but my Advice is that as you know the Nabobs large Expence and want of Money, make up the Affair Peacebly with Mahauphez Cawn which will be a means to get you great Reputation. Write me of your Health.

No. 90.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 4th and receiv'd the 13th of March 1754.

I wrote repeated Letters to Nabob Mahomed Mahauphez Cawn Bahadar desiring him to come to my Assistance with all possible Speed with the Troops under him as also with Abdull Bob Cawns Army. I am certain he will soon march hither. The Army must pass by the Way of Tagad & Walyonda. The Enemy had placed their Guards in different Places in that Road, besides which on their hearing of Mahaphooz Cawn's march they with a large Body were resolv'd to intercept the Road in the Company of the French which makes me uneasy considering that it not in the power of the Indian Army to punish the French without the English. As your Honour protected me and took the burthen of my Affair upon your extensive Courage, you'll order the Detachment which you design to send by sea to go along with Mahaphooz Cawn which will be fit and proper. What can I say more?

In Aneverdy Cawns own Hand,

Antazey Punt will give you a full Acco^{t} of Matters. It will be advantageous in every Respect for your Army to bear Company with the Arcot Troops. If your Troops and mine are united, the Enemy cannot succeed in their Designs which are to intercept the Road. You'll be pleas'd to order your Troops at this Juncture to join the Army, if not, it will be attended with bad Consequence in regard to the Arcot Army.

No. 91.

FROM ABRAMALLY CAWN DATED THE 20TH. OF FEBRY AND RECEIVED THE 13TH. OF MARCH 1754.

Your Honours natural Disposition & Inclination to assist and help the People was spread to that degree that it fill'd me with a Desire of paying a Visit to you and to that End I arriv'd in Vizagapatam with Nabob Mahomed Mohayen Cawn's People and Spouse where I remain in hopes of your Favour. Great Affliction and Trouble was occasion'd by Monsr. Bosey &c. French which induced the Ministers & Omras at Court to be quiet in their own Houses. The French possess'd the whole Country as their Jagueer. We underwent great Afflictions, the 4 Circars which belong'd to us were made over to the French who possess the same, the wicked Zamendars of this Province settled matters with the French and were resolv'd to act agt. us. The Chief at Vizagapatam has inform'd you very fully concerning this Affair. Viziaramraz agreed with us according to the Direction from Sydoo Lascar Cawn as follows.

I, you and Nabob Aneverdy Cawn shall enter into an Alliance and then we shall retake the above Circars and add Murtazanagar to them, afterwards we shall join these to the Carnateck and then we shall apply to his Honour and endeavour to punish the French. In case Nabob Aneverdy Cawn and his Honour yeild their Assistance we shall attack and take Mechalapatam.

Thus Viziaramraz made his Agreement and remain'd in union with us 10, or, 12 Days but when Moñs Bosey and Moñs M. heard of it they in a deceiptful Manner gave orders to Viziaramraz to act as their Naib or Deputy in the two Circars & appointed Abraham Cawn Subadar of the Seapoys a general Naib and they wrote Letters to the said Viziaramraz and told him that they made him a Naib that the Distance between them induced them to appoint the said Abraham Cawn as aforesaid in their Room and to whom he should apply for Assistance upon Occasion. Viziaramraz not perceiving their deceiptful Intentions was glad to accept their Offer by breaking his aforesaid Agreement with us. Nabob Mahomed Mohayan Cawn consider'd that if he acted any thing contrary he would be deem'd a Traitor to his Master he therefore thought fit to send his Spouse and Family under my care to your Protection and to take his March to Davalatabad where he shall deliver the Circar Accots: and then if it can be done he will use his Endeavours by the Help of Sydoo Lascar Cawn to gather together the Maraters & the Mogallian Armies in the same Place in order to extirpate the French. Should the French succeed in their Scheme and the Omras remain quiet, we as Servants to the Mogull shall be obliged to collect the Maraters & Troops and return to Cheacacole &ca. We are now come to be under your Protection and hope you'll do whatever may be to our Interest & Benefit in which case you'll gain a good Name. Nabob Mahomed Mohayan Cawn was pleas'd to say to me in the manner following.

Janozey Marata is in Cateck with an Army of 1400 Horse who maintains a Friendship with me. I shall write to him to come by the Way of Yackepore provided the Governour undertake to assist. The said Janozey is son to Ragozey Bosala and on whose Arrival I shall let my Family remain under his Honours Protection and will march out jointly with the said Marata, then Gods Will be done.

It is requisite that your Honour shou'd grant your Permission to the foregoing as also a Promise of your Assistance in every Respect. The sooner you grant the Permission the better. In case of Delay the French &c. will enter the above Circars and intercept the Road in which Case it will be a difficult matter for the Maraters to come to these Parts. If Nabob Mahomed Mohayen Cawn endeavours to bring an Army from Aurangabad &c it may be done but the Road in these Parts will be shut up. May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more ?

No. 92.

FROM ABRAMALLY CAWN REC'D THE 13TH. MARCH 1754.

Since writing the accompanying Letter, I rec'd Letters from Nabob Mahomed Mohayan Cawn advising me that Ragozey Bosala detach'd 15000 Horse together with his Son to the Assistance of him the said Mahomed Mohayan Cawn according to Directions from the Ministers at Court with an Order not to suffer the French to have the Management. The Ministers at Court have also sent their Directions upon the same Business to Viziaramraz and told him to join the said Nabob, but he instead of doing that gather'd together all Zemeadars, and with a Desire to gain the Employment of the Naib under the French, he did not care to comply with their Directions, but as Affairs took the above Turn at present, it may probably cause a great deal of Blood to be shed in this Country, for Abram Cawn Subadar of the Seapoys is already arriv'd near Valore and expect to come to these Districts. Viziaramraz will also join him. May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more?

No. 93.

FROM ABRAMALLY CAWN RECEIV'D THE 13TH. OF MARCH 1754.

I came with my Family to live under your Protection. Nothing can be done without your Help. It is necessary you should shew your Favours to me. You'll be pleas'd to order the Chief at Vizagapatam to lend me Money according to my Circumstances. I shall sell my Goods or collect my outstanding Debts and then will pay the Principal &c. according to the Accounts. If you don't help me in this Manner it will be impossible for me to subsist. If Viziaramraz had at first declar'd himself an Enemy to us we should not have been ruin'd in this Manner. He pretended to join us as a Friend on Account of his own Interest and agreed with us, but when Monsr Bosey and Monsr M. &c appointed him Naib in Room of Abram Cawn Subadar of the Seapoys he broke the said Agreement and the Oath which he swore, seiz'd our Naibs and confin'd them and extorted what Money had been collected for us, and paid it to Monsr Bosey. At length the Seapoys press'd us for their Pay which induced us to sell our Effects and household Goods to pay the Produce to them. We had Jewels to the Amt. of 2 or 3 Lacks of Rupees which I deliver'd to the Savacars who carryed them to Pawn. I cant tell what Viziaramraz wrote about it to Monsr Bosey who at length took away the said Jewels from the Savacars. When Viziaramraz agreed or swore an Oath he declar'd that he could not answer or return what had been lost in the Plunder, but what were seiz'd on the Road in the Fort of Causem Cotah and in the Villages as also the Goods & Elephants in the Fort of Cheacacole and Yackepore, all amounting to 150 thousand Rupees including the Goods, Money, Gold and Silver as also the Elephants & Linnen, I should have, and he promised to send Cattle &ca. to bring them to me, requesting me at the same Time to forgive the Ballance and to allow him for what had been damag'd in the Country and to give him Receipts, he repeated his Promise to deliver everything to me except what had been lost in the Plunder which would amount to 3, or 4 Lacks of Rupees. We agreed to the foregoing and he thereupon obtain'd Receipts and Writings of Forgiveness &c. from us and then put off from Time to Time the Delivery of our Effects & did not deliver them. On the Contrary he possess'd himself of our Goods, Elephants, ready Money & Jewels which were in Causem Cotah, Pedapore, Cheacacole, and Yeckepore. Thus he acted according to the Dictates of his Senses, but God above is revengfull. As I am under your Protection I thought fit to relate my Affliction to you. Monsr Bosey and Viziaramraz were the Authors of so great Affliction upon us the present year. I pray God that he may not suffer any Man living to be subject to the like Calamities. I intended to be happy under your Protection but this deceiptfull World would not let me. Monsr Bosey commenc'd his Hatred on Accot. of Viziagapatam. He sent orders to attack and take it, but the Nabob wrote some Excuses to him, which encreas'd his Hatred upon a firm Footing. At length he sent Orders to Viziaramraz to fight me, which has brought the Affair upon the present Footing.

What can I say more?

No. 94.

FROM ABRAMALLY CAWN RECEIV'D THE 13TH. OF MARCH 1754.

I beg leave to inform your Honour that I sent a Quantity of Grain to Madrass thro' the Means of my Naibs or Deputys. Dayananda Culkerney &c. Inhabitants of this Country were indebted to the Circar in the sum of 8000 Rupees but fled before the same was paid. I exerted myself and got the said Dayananda under my Power and recover'd upwards of 5000 Rupees and the Ballance being more or less 2000 Rupees he made his Escape a second Time. At present all Zemeadars here joined the French and every one began to be a Naib of a Town as he pleas'd. I have sent Meerza Abdull Hassen upon my Ship whose Father resided in Cheacacole as well as Narain Dava Pashcar who then acted as Monsr Boseys Deputy there. The said Dayanandey agreed to make some Presents to Monsr Bosey & by that means seiz'd upon Narain Dava Pashcar and Meerza Mandy the Father of the said Meerza Abdull Hassen and forced them to make good the said 5 thousand Rupees which I recover'd as aforesaid and to that End and Purpose he got them to write Letters or Orders upon the said Meerza Abdull Hassen for the Payment thereof in Money and Grain, upon which, the said Meerza Mandy and Narain Dava Pashcar wrote in their private Letters to Meerza Abdull Hassen that Dayananda extorted the said Orders from them which must not be comply'd with, requiring him at the same Time to send the Produce of the Cargo or Grain to me at Vizagapatam. I must therefore desire you'll be so good as to tell Dayananda's men or Arvapandet who bring the said extorted Orders that they can't stand good and that the Letters sent in your Name as also those of Mine are authentick. In regard to the Ballance of 2000 Rupees due from the said Dayananda as aforesaid, I must desire you'll oblige his Gomastas in your Place to pay it, which I shall esteem as a great Favour. If Meerza Abdull Hassen has sold the Cargo I must desire you'll receive the Money of him and send it to me for I am in great want for my Expences, but if he has not sold the Cargo, You'll receive it into your Custody and write to the Chief at Vizagapatam to pay the Price to me in ready Specia. All the Goods and Money which belong'd to our Circar was plunder'd but what little there was, We sold for 9 or 10 Lack of Rupees and paid it to the Seapoys. At present I am so poor that I find it difficult to get even a Rupee. By your Favour if I receive the Money from my Ships as soon as possible it will be accounted as a very great Favour. I am at present under your Protection with my Family and am in great Want. There are some outstanding Debts due to me which cannot be collected as soon as I expect for which Reason I suffer great Hardships. I have some Elephants, Camels, &c. with me and must desire you'll order the Chief at Vizagapatam either to buy them or get them mortgaged & to lend me Money upon Occasion. As soon as I receive the outstanding Debts or sell the Elephants &c I shall repay the Principal &c. Without you help me in this manner, I cannot support my Family and clear myself from these Hardships. I must repeat You'll be so kind as to receive either the Money or Goods which was sent upon our Ships to Madrass from Meerza Abdull Hassen and send an Order upon the Chief at Vizagapatam to pay or make it good to me which will be a great Help to my Affairs. Till I receive the said Sum I must suffer Hardships for want of Money to support the Expence.

The Chief has wrote to you what are my Requests, I hope you'll send a satisfactory Answer. Let your Favours encrease.

What can I say more?

No. 95.

FROM NABOB MAHOMED MOHAYAN CAWN DATED THE 4TH OF FEBRY.
AND REC'D THE 13TH. OF MARCH 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your two Letters. You desir'd me to remain in Union with Viziaramraz and not to give Ear to what his Adversaries may say agt. him but to continue the usual Kindness. Before I rece'd your Letter the Chiefs at Vizagapatam and Ingeram wrote repeated Letters to me in his Behalf upon which I forgave his Faults and profess'd a Friendship for him. He on his part swore an Oath.

to continue in Union with me as usual and to gather together other Polligars and then in Conjunction with the English not suffer the French to have the Management, besides which, his Agreement was to support the Charges of the Seapoys at his own Expence as also at the Expence of the other Palligars. On his agreeing to these Terms, I let him have Padaporam Fort which he desired to gain for himself from a long Time or for several Years past. While Viziaramraz agreed with me in the Manner aforesaid, he on the other Hand settled Matters with the French before whom he made a Shew of me, & by these means he sent for an Order from Mechelepatam to act as their Naib or Deputy in the Circar of Razamandrem and Cheacacole & wrote to the Zemeadars of Yalore and Mustephenagar to expell my Naibs, and he sent to acquaint me that I was turn'd out of the Service and that I should clear the Country of my People and then go away about my Business. When the Seapoys heard this Discourse which continued a Month & half and as there were gather'd together both before and now, 4000 Horse and 8000 Peons, These press'd me for their Pay and seiz'd or carry'd away the Rem^{r} of my Horses, Elephants, & Goods, upon which I was necessitated to send my Family to Vizagapatam along with Abramally Cawn and Japherally Cawn. Shou'd they escape Viziaramraza's Hands and arrive safe in Vizagapatam you'll be pleas'd to take care of them and give your kind Assistance in the Affair which Abram Ally Cawn may represent to you in time of need. In case of Viziaramraza's molestation in the Road write to the People in your Factories and send an Escourt to conduct them safe to Vizagapatam. You'll be favourable to them in every Respect. At present I am determin'd to go to Court but in the interim, if the French were put out it would be well, if not, I shall use my Endeavours at Court to extirpate them. If I succeed in it 'twill be well, if not I shall go to the Maraters and bring their Troops in order to destroy that Nation in this Province. This I shall do by Gods help. May Happiness attend you.

No. 96.

FROM MENSOORELLY CAWN VIZIER
REC'D THE 14$^{TH.}$ OF MARCH 1754.

This is to inform you that the Killedary and Phousdary of Valore &$^{c.}$ was confer'd on Gulam Murtaza Cawn, you must therefore assist in whatever affair he may lay before you according to his Request. Take care that none of the Enemys raise Tumults and Disturbances in those Parts.

What can I say more?

No. 97.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN REC'D THE 14$^{TH.}$ OF MARCH 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter which gave an account of your sincere Friendship and observe the Particulars therein contained. By the Blessing of God the true Friendship between my Predecessors the English Nation & you was upon a firm footing from a long Time which is needless to rehearse either by Pen or Tongue. This Friendship is encreasing from Time to Time. I am certain that you have already given the necessary Instances of Friendship & union in all my Affairs and will continue the same, on my Part I shall regard it and will not fail to do whatever may be conducive to encrease the Friendship between us. You may be assur'd of my constant Inclination. Please me by an Intercourse of Letters advising me of your Health.

What can I say more?

A List of the Present—

1. Turband Anardana
2. Jamavar Badala
1. Kimkal Jatadar
1. Sash from Guzerat.

5, piece.

No. 98.

FROM PERTAPA SING KING OF TANJORE
REC'D THE 17TH. OF MARCH 1754.

I lately sent you a full Acco$^{t.}$ of the Occurrences here in writing which I suppose is come to your Perusal. I must now inform you that on the 6$^{th.}$ Instant I receiv'd a Letter from Balazeraw by his Hircars wherein he acquainted me that he was resolv'd to come to these Parts with all possible Speed and that I should send my Vakeel to him. The Hircars inform'd me by word of Mouth that Balazeraw from Ponna the Place of his Residence marched to Pondra within 20 country Leagues on this Side at which place he order'd them to go which was a Month & half & that Balazeraw will continue his March. Balazeraw has an Army of 60 thousand Horse & 40 thousand Seapoys with Artillery & other Necessaries of War and as he will soon come to these Parts. I thought fit to acquaint you with the good News. Your Honour is a Gentleman of good Reputation and you have a general Happiness in view and as your Aim is upon a good Name I am certain that by the Blessing of God you'll soon meet with Success in all your Undertakings. On the 5$^{th.}$ I rec'd a Letter from Major Lawrence wherein he acquainted me in the Manner following.

Nanzeraz Dallaway desir'd me by a writing to send him Paniapa Dubash which I comply'd with. He thereupon declared that he expended 120 Lacks of Rupees. If half of the said sum which is 60 Lacks of Rupees is paid him in ready Specia he will agree, if not, he offer'd to pay in ready money what had been laid out upon Acco$^{t.}$ of the Fort provided Terchenepelly Fort is deliverd to him. Let me know what Answer I am to return to this.

In Answer to the Above, I wrote to the Major and told him that I and the Nabob depended upon your Honours Help and Strength and enter'd into the present Resolution and that he should write the same to your Honour and to whatever you may consent and conclude to that I shall agree. I thought fit to acquaint you with these Particulars. Nanzaras Dallaway sent & desir'd me to send a Person to him, upon which I have sent one Baboraw to him, this Baboraw had formerly liv'd with the Dallaway. As soon as I receive a Letter from the said Baboraw, I shall communicate it to you. I thought it necessary to acquaint you with the Occurrences here.

What can I say more ?

No. 99.

TO PRATAP SING KING OF TANJORE
DATED MARCH Y$^{E.}$ 18. 1754.

I had the Pleasure of receiving your Letter and observe the Contents. In regard to Moraree you know he fights for those that pays him best which is Nanjarause. Of what signification is it to offer 2 Lacks of Rupees when he can get ten. You say the Dallaway insists still on the Fort which is very true. When after the Death of Chundah he insisted on it, you wrote me that if he got the Fort your Country would be ruin'd and desir'd it might not be given to him promising to join your Army to the Nabob and defend it. There is an Alliance of a long standing between us and whilst we join our Forces the Enemy cannot succeed but will meet with Shame but if you neglect sending your Troops and the Enemy should be successfull twill not be the Nabobs Fault or mine. Consider that the keeping the Fort depends upon throwing a large Quantity of Provisions into it and attacking the Enemy whilst they are weak, this may be done if you will join the Army, therefore as you are wise I need not urge more than telling you you should upon no Acco$^{t.}$ delay it. I have wrote you several Letters giving you an Account of what pass'd at Sadrass. M$^{r.}$ Dupleix would not hearken to Terms that were reasonable and finding the Sanuds he produc'd were false and that his Intentions were only to seize the Country in his own Name I orderd my People to come away. In his Letter to me he first said Ruzza Sahieb had a Sanud from [*sic*] Tretchenopoly, he promised afterwards to get it for Nanjerause

which made me upbraid him with his Roguery by telling him of Mad^{m}· Dupleixs Promise to you. That you may be acquainted with all Affairs I shall send Padre Palk to you who will talk to you of certain Affairs and I desire you will regard him as myself. Write me constantly of your Happiness.

No. 100.

To Nabob Annaverdecawn dated March the 18. 1754.

I have rec'd your several Letters with the Sanud the Contents of which I have consider'd. I must inform you on Mahauphis Cawns Approach to this Country I sent him an Invitation for his Family to reside at Madrass and since Letters of Friendship have Pass'd between us. As I knew the Service a Reinforcement would be to your Affairs, I wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn that I would join a Detachment of Europeans to his Troop and desir'd he would not delay, in answer to which he fram'd continual Excuses that large Arrears were due to his Troops that they would not move without Pay and that he must first go against the Palligars to raise money. Finding I could not depend upon him and the late Loss requiring a Reinforcement should be sent without Loss of Time, I was obliged to put them on Board of ships for Davecota. I have wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn that his Horse may easily march there and afterwards there will be no Difficulty. My Advices from Trivatore are that the Morattoes are return'd to Tretchenopoly.

I am sorry to see the King of Tanjore delay in sending his Troops, tis said he is concluding a Peace with the Dallaway. Though I dont entirely credit it, I am sending Padre Palk to him to discourse of Affairs. If he will join us we may attack the Enemy and defeat them. I desire you'll write me your Opinion concerning his Proceedings. Write me constantly of your Health.

What can I say more?

No. 101.

From Abramally Cawn rec'd the 18th· of March 1754.

I lately gave your Honour a full Account concerning the Ships which I sent to Madrass thro' the means of Meerza Abdull Hassen I sent a ship loaden with Rice to Japanapatam with Directions to buy Elephants but I have forgot the Name of the Nocquedah whom I sent upon that Ship the Book in which his Name was writ is lost in Plunder which induc'd me to stile him the Nocquedah of the Circar in my Letter to him which comes herew^{t}· to you, be so kind as to forward it to him to Japanapatam and send for the Produce of the Rice in ready Money which you'll remit to me. This I shall take as a very great Favour. The said Nocquedah is unacquainted with what has happen'd to us and the French. Shou'd he buy the Elephants and go towards Barava, Ganzam, Calangapatam, Beamelapatam, &^{c}· it will be attended with bad Consequences as the French will seize them to my Loss. By a little Attention of yours I shall attain to my just Right. As I am in distress at present the Elephants can be of no service to me. As it is better for me to receive the Produce in Money I desire you will send for it together with the red Cloth &^{c} which were ordered to be got ready as the Nocquedah carry'd some Morees from hence to get them dyed. You'll also send for the Bettalas & Dupettys and forward these to me. May Happiness & a long Life attend you.

No. 102.

To the King of Tanjore dated March the 19th· 1754.

Since I wrote you I rec'd your Letter wherein you mention'd that you rec'd Advice that Balazeraw had marched from Ponnarh with a large Army with a Design to come to this Province. I have heard y^{t}· Salabet Jung intended to come to this Province & that Balazeraw was resolv'd to prevent him. Yousay Major Lawrence has acquainted you with the Message he rec'd from the Dallaway, he has inform'd

me of it also & I now send Padre Palk to you who will inform you of every thing. I desire you will regard him as one I have a great Confidence in. If you concert proper measures with Major Lawrence, I dont doubt but the Enemy will be punish'd. Let me hear of your Happiness. I shortly expect a supply of Officers & Men from Bombay.

No. 103.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN RECEIV'D THE 19TH. OF MARCH 1754.

I rec'd your Letter advising me to send the Army to the Assistance of the Nabob as soon as possible telling me that you continue firm in the Alliance that I delay the affair and that to raise Money from the Palligars is a work of Time. I must acknowledge that you have assisted the Nabob from the beginning of the Troubles with Money, Troops, Guns, Ammunition &c. & preserv'd our Credit. We cannot return suitable or sufficient Thanks for your Favour even if we had as many Tongues as Hairs on our Bodys to express it. May God grant you who is our Benefactor & Friend a long Life. I receive daily Letters from the Nabob directing me to send the Assistance which I think necessary & reasonable but as thier are large Arrears due to the Seapoys and are daily encreasing they do not care to agree to move to Terchenepelly before their Arrears and their Yomia or daily Allowance is paid which put us under Necessity of using our Endeavours to think of collecting Money from the Palligars in order to pay something to the Seapoys and send them to the Nabob. If this is the Way to get the Money, I am certain it will take up a long Time, in which case an Opportunity may be lost. I rec'd Letters from Balazeraw and Malick Mahomed Asselam Cawn, Copy of which I have sent for your Perusal which will give you an Acco.t. of Affairs. Balazeraw cross'd Kishna with 20 thousand Horse. Salabet Jung arriv'd at Shagada in which Case I can see no other Protection for us but of God or your Honour who is the Nabobs Supporter. You assisted the Nabob at the Expence of Several Lacks, nobody can act like you. By a little attention of Yours a proper Assistance may be sent to him. I must therefore desire you'll lend me 50 thousand Pagodas. As soon as I receive it, I shall pay it to the Seapoys & send them to Terchenepelly. I have no ready Money neither can I get so much at once in any Place. The Revenues of the Country would be collected a little and a little at a Time. I can appeal or satisfy the Seapoys in case of their Stay here by any Means, but as Terchenepelly lies at a great Distance and the Enemys Disturbance is in Appearance and an Engagement to be had we think it necessary to send a large Army from hence to the said Place, in which Case it will be a difficult Matter to collect Money in this Country to be sent to Terchenepelly in order to pay the Seapoys. In case they are not paid, which God forbid, they will leave Terchenepelly just in the Time of Action, which will produce bad Effects. I have therefore apply'd to you for the said Sum (which is a small Matter) as aforesaid, if you favour me with it, the Difficulty will be remov'd. I shall repay the said sum as soon as possible to your Satisfaction. By all Means you should shew your Favours to me in this Affair. The Nabob has wrote to me that he desir'd you by a Letter to send the English Troops along with the Army which may be detach'd to Terchenepelly. I am certain that you have got ready the Troops according to the Nabobs Request. Please to send them bither as soon as possible that I may detach them along with the Army. You may be assur'd that as soon as your Troops arrive and you send me the Money desir'd I shall send away the Army directly to Terchenepelly. It consists of 3000 Horse and the same Number of Seapoys, with 500 wall piece bearers these will join the Nabob and punish the Enemy in 15 Days. The Dispatch of this Business depends upon your Favour. You assisted the Nabob with several Lacks, at Present we are in great Distress, you should think it necessary to relieve us, which will be the same as if you had bought us who have a large Family and sav'd our Lives and Credit. I shall assign over the Paym.t. of the said Debt upon the Circar of Saravapelly Nellore which is the best District, you may send a Person there & receive from one, to one [and a half] Lack or whatever may be collected in payment of your Debt. I am put to a stand

or asham'd to trouble you with this Request but Necessity obliges me to it depending upon your Protection and unbounded Goodness you should think it highly necessary to do this Business. If it takes up time to send a Detachment from Madrass, You'll send an Order to the Troops with me to march along with the Army to Terchenepelly, if so you'll think it necessary to send some more soldiers with 5, or 6 Guns as also some Seapoys to join them. It must be considered that Terchenepelly is at a great Distance and the Wicked Enemy is ready to intercept the Passage, it is a very likely a smart Engagem^{t}· may happen, it is therefore necessary [to have a] proper Force of the English with [Artillery in] the Army. The above Sum is not a great Ma[tter] to you on which depends the dispatch of this Business. The [English] Troops should stay along with the Army. I am impatient to receive a satisfactory answer which you'll send me as soon as possible. Antazey Punt will inform you some certain Matters. If they are to your liking do them.

What can I say more?

In Abdull Bob Cawn's own Hand.

Since writing the above I received a Letter from the Nabob which I send enclos'd I hope you'll soon send a Detachment from Madrass to join your Troops with me and march along with Mahaphooz Cawn to Terchenepelly. There are a few Europeans, Seapoys and Guns of the Company with me. The Enemys lay in the Road with a large Number of Men, it is therefore advisable to order a good Artillery along with the Army.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN TO ABDULL BOB CAWN.

The Enemys were resolv'd to send their Troops to intercept our Army as soon as it pass'd or arriv'd on this Side of Tagada, it is therefore necessary for Mahaphooz Cawn to have the English Troops with him. You may detach the whole Body of the English Force with you along with Mahaphooz Cawn, if you can't do it send for an Order as soon as possible from the Governour to that End. The Business here is to be minded above all other Affairs. As soon as the Army with you takes its march to this Place, you can't do any Business in those Parts. Since it is so it is better for the whole Body of the English Troops to accompany Mahaphooz Cawn which will be a great help to our Army. If you receive any Advice from Balagat let me know it.

No. 104.

TO ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED MARCH THE 20TH· 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter and observe the Contents. When the Nabob apply'd to me for a Reinforcement I immediately desir'd you to prepare yours & mine should join them and march to his Assistance but you delay'd and had not that Regard for the Nabobs Affairs as you ought. I therefore sent my Men and have the Pleasure to hear of their being already at Devecota. I have wrote you repeated Letters but they do not affect you, you still make Excuses and desire me to lend you 50000 Pagodas. You know I cannot. I therefore look upon this Behaviour as unbecoming. If you have any Regard to the Nabob or my Friendship, march immediately. You are wise, I need not urge more.

No. 105.

FROM WOPPARAJA BROTHER TO THE KING OF PEGU DAT^{ED} Y^{E} 20TH OF JANRYY. & RECEIV'D THE 20TH OF MARCH 1754.

M^{r}· Hunter whom you sent us from the King of the English Company arriv'd in the Port of the Negrais and represented abundance of his Requests, but we could not understand the meaning of them which induc'd us to send M^{r} Westgarth in Company with a Vizier belonging his Majesty to invite M^{r}· Hunter here in order y^{t}·

I might know what were his Requests to be represented to his Majesty but he did not chuse to come. We therefore sent Raja Damrat *alias* Coja Nicoos along with his Majestys Visier to desire him to come to this Place. The said Nicoos is well acquainted with the customs of the English &c. but by the Providence of God the said Mr. Hunter departed this Life three Days before Nicoos's Arrival in Negrais which depriv'd us of a Negotiation with him; at length Coja Nicoos paid a Visit to Mr. Brooke and then return'd to this Place but nothing was finish'd. We have now sent Coja Nicoos to you. The Requests of the King of the English Company which were brought by Mr. Hunter were as follows.

Your Majesty should permit us to build a Fort in the Negrais and to people the Country and the City and likewise to carry on our Mercantile Affairs and to build new Ships. Should our Affairs be interrupted you should yield your Assistance and dispatch them. You should forgive the Customs & charges on our Trade or on what we may buy & sell from the Negrais thro' out your Limits. A free Egress and Regress is to be had in any Part of your Country according to our Desire in order to carry on the Trade and a Liberty to buy & sell what Goods we please. The English Ships should pass & repass freely in every Respect according to Custom. At the Time of the Dispatch of the Ship you should not forbid us buying of any Goods to be carry'd out according to our Desire. Should an Enemy endeavour to molest us in the Port of Neg[rais] after it is peopled you should assist us & subdue him. If any of your Enemys appear either by Land or Sea we shall do the same. Both of our Countrys ought to be united or join'd together as two ps. of Gold may be brought to one and we should maintain a League of Freindship as far as 7 Descendants of both Familys. Agreable to this I received a writing from you. I must inform you that from the former Kings to this Day it was never customary nor ever heard of having free Egress & Regress throughout the Kings Country according to their liking or to buy and sell what Goods they pleas'd and to carry them upon the Ships. I cannot make my Application to his Majesty about what had been unusual in the Time of the former Kings. Your Request about peopling the City of Negrais and to buy & sell as also to forgive the Customs thereof, is attended with a Benefit to the King of the English & the Company, if it be beneficial to our King likewise it may be represented to him what other things are mention'd I shall represent or explain to his Majesty in regard to the Friendship of the English King. Coja Nicoos will come to you with a letter to you, take the Contents thereof into your Consideration. If you like what I write send a Motabar or proper Person to this Place that I may then in regard to the Friendship between us, use my Endeavours to dispatch the Affairs as they will admitt and make my Application to his Majesty in order to get his Cowl or Agreement to you. By an unhappy Turn of Affairs in this World the People in different Parts of this Country prov'd Traitors, if you be so kind as to supply me with a Detachment of the white & black Musketeers together with a thousand Firelocks within two Months beginning from the 8th of Febry. to the 8th. of Aprill, I shall esteem it as a very great Favour and Friendship. I shall gladly pay the Cost thereof. Make yourself easy. Let the Friendship encrease.

No. 106.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR
DATED THE 21ST. OF MARCH 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your letter dated the 22d. of Rabeasany on the 11th Jamadalevel which is the 6th. Instant. You was pleasd to say that the French did not come to reasonable Terms which made you break off the Negotiation of Peace. You communicated your Opinion in regard to Salabet Jungs March which I observe. Let me inform you that by advice from Bukenzeys Gomasta at Madrass dated the 20th. of Febry. I find that Salabat Jung sent out of the City of Aurungabad his Pashcana or Tents &c. necessarys for march, & soon after which he recall'd them to the City. I approve what you wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn about sending 500 Horse along with Mahaphooz Cawn as it is not advisable for him to come hither with a small Army because of the Enemy who detach'd their

Troops to intercept his Passage. I therefore wrote several Times to Abdull Bob Cawn to send a proper Army along with Mahaphooz Cawn. On hearing of the Occurrences here, I am certain that you are determin'd to send a Reinforcement from Madrass. If you'll be so good as to order them to accompany Mahaphooz Cawn it will be better as he will then be enabled to march hither with a proper Army. In Case of the Enemys Assault in the Road (which God forbid) it may be in Mahaphooz Cawns Power to punish them & arrive safe hither. Should the Detachment from Madrass arrive here by Sea they must wait here till the Horsemen arrive. As the Enemys Horses and the French Troops are already march'd to those Parts in order to intercept the Passage, it seems impossible for Mahaphooz Cawn to come hither without the English Troops. I must desire you to consider the above Circumstances and be so favourable as to send Mahaphooz Cawn in Company with your Troops. Should a proper Number of your Troops join & stay with Mahaphooz Cawn it will be a means to strike a Terror in the Enemy & they will come hither clear of Apprehensions. The more strength is added to Mahaphooz Cawn the better & more profitable it will be to our Affairs. You intimated to me that the English & the French Ships are expected in three Months and that there was a probability of Salabet Jungs March hither for Fear of the Army from Delly and that before this happens it would be better to oppose and punish the Enemy. This is very true. I am in Expectation of the English Troops and Mahaphooz Cawn. On their Arrival hither we shall concert necessary Measures for their Destruction. It is impossible for me to express my Thanks either by Pen or Tongue for the Favours rec'd. May God grant you a long Life attended with the same Favours & Civilities. In regard to the Provisions here Major Lawrence has given you an Acco$^{t.}$ of it in his Letter to you. Agreable to your Desire I order'd a Bond to be drawn out according to the Particulars you mention'd & sealed it with my Seal & the same was attested under the Seal of the Caudy which I have sent to you thro' the Means of the Major and hope it will come to your Hands. I enclos'd an Order to Abdull Bob Cawn about throwing Provisions into the Forts of Arcot, Chengalput, &$^{c.}$ Please to send it to him. Continue to write to me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

In Aneverdy Cawn's own Hand—

On the 9$^{th.}$ Instant I received a Letter from the King of Tanjore full of Zeal. On the Arrival of the Arcot and Madrass Troops I shall know the Number of the Troops which the King may send.

Translation of a Bond under the great Seal of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar and attested under the Seal of the Caudy.

The Circar is indebted or answerable for the Expences which the English Company have been or shall be at in assisting me to take Care of the Country. Thus this Bond is given [. . .] 11th of Jamadelevel Hegra 1167 which [. . .] March 1754.

No. 107.

From Abramally Cawn dated the 28$^{th.}$ of Feb$^{ry.}$ & rec'd [. . .] of March 1754.

I arriv'd in Vizagapatam under your Protection with the Nabobs Family & Dependants and wait in hopes of your Friendship. I have not yet heard any thing concerning the Nabob who has marched to those Parts. It is reported here that Abram Cawn Subadar of the Seapoys who was appointed as Naib by the French to act in the four Circars left his Army on the sides of Mechelepatam and enter'd that Town clear of Bag & Baggage and that about 10, or, 12 thousand Horse of the Marates belonging to Ragozey bosala are already arriv'd within 40, or, 50 Coasses from Mechelapatam and some more Horses are expected to come by and by. Some time ago Mons^{r} Bosey appointed Viziaramraz a Naib to act in the Circars, he was then glad

to accept the offer but I now hear that Monsr Bosey wrote a Letter to the said Viziaramraz confirming him in the said Employ and telling him at the same Time that he should remain under the Direction of the said Abram Cawn and pay him the present Years Money together with the Ballance of the Accots. in the Time of Nabob Mahomed Mohayan Cawn, if not to deliver the Savacars Teap or Bill for the Paymts. of the same, which displeas'd Viziaramraz and induc'd him to be busy upon some Schemes. As soon as I receive a true Account of the Determination between them & Letters from the Nabob & News of the Maraters & I shall communicate it to you. I lately wrote to you concernS. Meerza Abdull Hassen son to Meerza Mahadey whom I sent, as also in regard to the two Ships which were freighted and sent laden with Grain. Besides these two, I have sent a Ship of my own to Madrass laden with Grain also thro' the Means of the said Meerza Abdull Hassen. I hope therefore that you will be so kind as to order your People to sell the Grain of the said three Ships according to the Market Price and send the Produce to me at Vizagapatam. Let them sell the Ship which belong'd to me as foresaid including the Grain and send the Produce of it also to me. In regard to the two freighted Ships as above related, I must inform you that the Owners of them were indebted largely to me. Meerza Abdull Hassen knows the same, ask him concernS. it and deduct the Freight out of my just due and order the Ballance to be paid to me. If any thing appears to be due to them order it to be paid out of the above Produce. I must repeat that You'll sell the Ship which belong'd to me as above together with the Grain upon it. Do this Favour to me without Fail.

What can I say more?

No. 108.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 21st. of March & rec'd the 24th. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter and observe the Contents. I had the satisfaction to find that you sent your Detachment by Sea. It is impossible for me to express my Thanks by Pen for the many Favours and Assistance rec'd by your Hands always towards the Support of our House and my Brother Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar. You desir'd me to march to the Assistance of [Nabob Ane]verdey Cawn with all possible Speed, in [which case] you say the Nabobs Affairs will meet [with success]. The intent of my coming to these Parts [was to save] and help my Brother and to think [of his] Family in the Fort of Terchenepelly, the Delay of an hour seems as if twas a Year. If I could have [got] the Money from the Savacars, I would not have delayed even a single Day, but on the Contrary, I would have march'd directly. As I could not succeed in it I was oblig'd to undertake to collect the Peishcash. I shall let you know the Sum which I can get here. I rec'd Letters from the Nabob & Cayeredey Cawn upon the same Business which I send for your Perusal. It is believ'd that the Enemy will engage us in the Road. I have not got the Guns, Necessaries &c. with me. As the Enemys have Guns and a Body of the French Men with them it is necessary that I should have Hatmen Guns &c. with me. I am very ready to march to the Assistance but am detain'd here in the Expectation of the Arrival of your Troops with Necessaries, and also untill I get the Money to pay the Seapoys. Please to send me a Detachment of the Hatmen, Guns, Lead, Gunpowder, &c. necessaries in a proper Manner with all possible Speed that I may take them with me & march to the Assistance of the Nabob. I defer marching till I receive your Troops. May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more?

A Copy of a Letter from Nabob Aneverdy Cawn to Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 4th. of March 1754.

The Enemys were terrify'd by a Rumour of your March at the Head of the victorious Troops this Way, and with Confusion they detach'd a Body of their Troops together with the french Force in order to intercept the Passage. I conceived this

before and wrote repeated Letters to the Governour and desir'd him not to send the Troops which he design'd for my Assistance by Sea, but order them along with you. I am certain he will do it. The Troops along with Abdull Bob Cawn will also join you together with his own Army. By the Blessing of God you'll then have a formidable Army with you able to punish the Enemy and to gain a Victory. In regard to the Road you'll be mindfull of what I wrote and what the Hircars &c. Men of Experience may inform you off, and then continue the March. I dispatched Letters to Mahomed Hussen Cawn, Taher Zagenel Aubedeen Cawn, Killedar of Tagada, Cana Cara Pala of Tulagody to send you continual News of the Enemy. You will know the Enemys movement by their Letters and then march with great Caution. As you are able to instruct me in this Affair it is entirely needless to write to you on this Head. May God grant our Desire by the Virtue of your March.

What can I say more?

P.S. When you get the English Troops you need not be under any Apprehension of the Enemy.

A Copy of a Letter from Cayeredey Cawn to Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 4th. of March 1754.

The Enemys in Serangam hearing of your March, sent a large Army to oppose you and to intercept the Passage which makes me desire that you'll be fully acquainted with their Circumstances and then [taking] Bob Cawns Army with you in order that you may be enabled to oppose them [by marching] both Armies jointly with the English [when they] arrive from Madrass. Should the Enemys Army be plundered or defeated no Body will oppose you till you arrive here in which Case we can easily attack Nanzeraz and Morarey either to cut them off or take them Prisoners. You must be very cautious and order a great Regulation in the Army. You had better direct your March by the Way of Wakermany &c. to Pallem Cota & from thence to Panda Nellore under Tanjore, if not, you may proceed by the Way of Ternamel, Malorepettah, Wolandorepetta, Werdachelam, and Palem Cota and from thence to Panda Nellore. However I wish that the Help of God and our holy Saints may attend you.

What can I say more?

No. 109.

A Representation of Vankataraw to the President–

In regard to the Money the whole Expence we have been at in paying our Army, Morareys Troops and the Nabob together with what has been paid to Tondaman, Torayore, &c. Palligars including the sum laid out to draw off or disband the People in Chendas Army as also what has been paid to the French at Pondicherry and likewise the Sum laid out to entertain Forces and to pay the Betta and to give Presents &c. should be accounted from the Time we began to assist on the Arrival of the Nabobs Letter to this Day, and the Payment to be ordered in ready Specie upon the Savacars, unless [it] is compleat with this they meaning his Masters will never agree to receive the Money upon the Mortgage of the Country, but on the Contrary they will agree to receive the Fort and the Country and to order the Payment of the Companys Money which had been advanc'd to this Day on Accot: of the Affair of Terchenepelly as may appear reasonable on their declaring it with an Oath to be paid them after the Delivery of the Fort and the Country as ₱ the limited Time together with the ten Lack of Rupees to the Nabob according to the Agreement as also two Lacks worth of the Country including a Fort. Should every one act agst. our Governmt. you should send a Force to assist us. We shall on our Part send our Forces to assist in your Affairs and those of the Nabob with Sincerity. We shall not harbour a Friendship with the French & your Adversaries you should observe the same with Respect to our own. We shall be sincere to you in every Respect you should do the same on your Part. We shall carry on or send our

Traffick and Merchandize only to the English Ports but they shall not be sent into any other hatmans Ports nor shall we permitt any other Hatmen to settle any Factory or Trade in the Country which may be under our Government. Agreable to the foregoing, an Agreem$^{t.}$ shall be drawn out & seal'd with the Kings Seal with an Oath prescrib'd by our Religion and it shall also be sign'd by the Dallaway. The Merchants Mediation shall likewise be incerted in it as well as the Witnesses. You should on your Part be mindfull of the Fort to be delivered according to the Agreem$^{t.}$ or limited Time and the Money to be receiv'd of the [Savar]cars. Should any of the Mogulls Subadars or [Officers make] an attempt, oppose or plead any Hinderance [in the per]formance of the above agreement you should [. . .] and deliver the Fort according to the limited Time and receive the money thro' the Means of the Merchants according to the Agreem$^{t.}$ At present you should assist us with a Force to settle Madera &$^{c.}$ Countrys on that side. Till the limited Time be expir'd you should leave only the english Guard in the Fort and withdraw the Nabobs people who have no business there. You should give us Divident out of the Guns, Firelocks, Ammunition, Elephants &$^{c.}$ which were seiz'd in Chenda's Army. In case of Traffic from our Governm$^{t.}$ you should not suffer any Hindrance but on the Contrary you should use us respectfully. We shall never fail in this Agreem$^{t.}$ you should on your Part give a writing or Agreem$^{t.}$ with an Oath prescrib'd in your Religion under the Companys Seal and the Counsellors Sign and you should incert the Mediation as well as the Merchants Attestation.

SERARAMAH

Tis said to be Vankataraws sign.

What was added by Vankataraw is as follows:—

In regard to the Difference in the limited Time and Money, if you send the Gentlemen whom you like along with me, as soon as possible I shall talk to my Masters & settle them on this Footing & will return to you soon taking their Saneds or writing as also the Merchants Mediation. You should be mindfull of what I told you in regard to my own Affairs and do it.

In Vankataraws own Hand.

This Paper in the Indian Language contains what is desir'd.

Sign'd by

VANKATARAW.

No. 110.

A COPY OF THE HEAD AND SECOND DALLAWAYS LETTER AS DELIVERD IN THE JENTUE LANGUAGE BY BARKEY VANKATARAW DATED THE 12TH FEB$^{RY.}$ 1754.

I thought that a maintainance of the sincere Friendship between the English and us was best and therefore I wrote very particularly concerning the Negotiation depending upon your Management and sent it by Madarayel which is now 2 months but it seems you have not yet talk'd with the head Man there as you have not wrote to me whether the Business would be done or not, if so how is it that I understand concerning my future Proceedings. I lately receiv'd some Letters from Salabet Jung & Balazeraw with an offer to dispatch the Business. It is a proper Time to do what is requisite on that Head but I cant enter into any Resolution before you have talk'd with the Governour and let me know how the affair is. I hope therefore that you'll talk to him in a private Manner and tell him plainly that we shall surely stand to our Word and promise and then you may know his Resolution and let me hear as soon as possible whether the Business will be done or not. If the Governour delays it to talk personally with you, then you may know his Design thro' the Means of his Motabar Muteseddees in order to communicate it to me. If the Governour is inclin'd to maintain a true Friendship with me, you may take his Word & promise according to my private Message & Letter to you by Madarayel. Dont let the French at Pondicherry know of your Negotiation, manage it in a secret Manner and then

come to me. You'll let me know what pass'd lately between the French and the English. You'll also let me know whether our Business will be done. You'll write this to me first and then you may eat.

N.B. Barkey Venkataraw said that the Dallaway told him in other Letters that he never wrote to the French concerning the Friendship to be concluded with the English but to him only and that the said Dallaway desir'd him to bring the English Vakeel along with him.

In regard to the Letter from the Mayasore Vakeel at Pondicherry, he said that the Vakeel wrote to him that the Saneds which the French produc'd at Sadras were authentick which induc'd the English to frame some Excuse and to return to Madrass and that he wrote nothing particular.

No. 111.

To the King of Pegue dated March the 25th 1754.

I have been advised of the Death of David Hunter Esq^{r} whom I had deputed to wait on your Majesty to offer the Friendship of the English & confirm it by a Treaty of Alliance. I am informed that this was acceptable to you and that your Majesty was pleased to send your Servant Cojee Nicoos to ratifie the same with him but that before Cojee Nicoos reached the Negrais David Hunter Esq^{r} was dead, by which Means nothing further was transacted. Sensible of your Majestys good Intention and desirous that the English and Peguers should be as one People I have now given the same Power to Mr. Henry Brooke a Gentleman in whom I have a perfect Confidence to enter into and conclude this Alliance with your Majesty in behalf of the English & whatever he May do I confirm as done by myself. May your Majesty reign in Peace beloved and respected by your Subjects and your Life be long & Happy.

No. 112.

To Uppa Rajah dated March the 25th 1754.

By one of my Vessells from Pegue I am informed of the Death of David Hunter Esq^{r} whom I had deputed to pay my Respects and conclude a Treaty of Friendship and Alliance with the King just before the Arrival of Cojee Nicoos whom his Majesty had sent for that Purpose to the Negrais. The Decrees of the Almighty must be chearfully submitted to though by this Accident this Cement of our Friendship has been delayed yet I have the Satisfaction to see a Proof of his Majestys kind regard and have therefore appointed Mr. Henry Brooke whom I have invested with the same Power as I did David Hunter Esq^{r} to conclude this Treaty. He is a Gentleman I have a Confidence in and I desire you will shew him your Favour. I had the Pleasure to receive the Letter you did me the Honour to write. Cojee Nicoos is I hear at Pondicherry. When he arrives here I shall agreable to your Desire transact Affairs with him. I have ordered Mr. Henry Brooke to communicate some certain Matters to you which you will please to consider & dispatch by which Means Affairs will come to a happy Conclusion and you acquire great Reputation. May the Almighty bless you with Happiness.

No. 113.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 25th of March 1754.

I recd the two Letters you sent me one dated 20th Instant ordering me to send the Army and the other dated the 10th desiring me to get restord 19 Firelocks & two Pistols from Ragonad. These Letters were brought to me on the 23^{d}. By the Blessing of God I shall soon send the Army to Terchenepelly. I shall enquire about the said Ragonad. If he is my Servant or any one of the Arcot Inhabitants I shall get the said Firelocks &c restord provided it be proved. In case the said Ragonad speaks any thing of the Accounts between him and the Mayasore Vakeel I shall send him to you. Continue to write to me of your Health.

What can I say more?

No. 114.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN RECIEV'D THE 27TH OF MARCH 1754.

I recd your friendly Letter advising me of the Arrival of Mr. Smith and telling me that you did not receive my Letter in answer to that of Yours according to your Expectation and that you perus'd my Letter in the Name of Mr. Smith and you added that I was unacquainted w^th^ your Customs which were that except your Honour none of the English has Liberty to write or receive Letters from the Country Government. You mention'd to me that I and Nabob Aneverdy Cawn were one and that I should write to you upon this Occasion y^t^ you might be able to judge of Affairs the better. It is true that I was a stranger to this Custom but I am now acquainted with it. Let me inform you y^t^ 3 or 4 Days after the Departure of Mr. Smith I sent my Answer to your Letter by my Vakeel with a Present. I suppose he is arrived and deliver'd the Letter & to you. In matters of Friendship there can be no Delays in returning Answers. As I am sensible that the Friendship between me and the Nabob was corroborated by your best Endeavours and Friendship, I am certain that as you are Mediator between us, the Friendship will between us daily increase. Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn who arrived lately in this Province is unacquainted with the Word & Promise which was settled between me and you. Abdull Bob Cawn is also a Stranger to this. I hope therefore that you'll acquaint them of the same. I sent by my Vakeel two Papers which contain'd the Forms of Letters to be wrote to Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn. I now send you Copies of them inclos'd in this. You'll befriend me in writing out Letters to them and to the Captain at Arcot agreable to the said Form and send them. You'll also write the same in your private Letters to them and communicate the Word and Promise to each other that it may increase the Friendship between me the said Mahaphooz Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawn. The Vakeel whom I sent there shall be ready to give his Attendance to you. In regard to the Friendship, Please to shew your Favour and permit him daily to pay his Respects to you.

What can I say more ?

The Forms of Letters to Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn.

I and Nabob Gulam Murtaza Cawn Bahadur have lately contracted a Friendship & pass'd a Word & Promise between us, which makes me to desire that you'll give strict Orders to your People that none of them may presume to molest the Country of the Jaqueer, Districts, Forts, & as also all Affairs great & small belonging to the said Murtaza Cawn on any Acco^t^ whatsoever that it may be a means to preserve the Word & Promise and likewise the Friendship. It is necessary that you shou'd be carefull in this.

The Form of a Letter to the Captain at Arcot.

I and Nabob Gulam Murtaza Cawn Bahadar have contracted a Friendship & there passed a Word & Promise between us which makes me to write this that you'll on all Acco^ts^ take care of and protect the Districts, Jaqueer, & Places belonging to the said Gulam Murtaza Cawn should anyone of Mahaphooz Cawns or Abdull Bob Cawns People presume to molest the Districts as also all Affairs great & small belonging to him. You'll then send your People and prevent them from it that it may be a means to preserve the Friendship and likewise the Word & Promise.

No. 115.

FROM SAKOZEY NAICK REVD THE 27TH OF MARCH 1754.

His Majesty was pleas'd to send Marey Seataram Dubash with Money in order to buy some Medicines and other Goods in your Place, he will purchase what he can get of the Merchants but if anything is to be procured either in the Companys Store

House or from other Merchants, Please to get them & forward them hither by a Boat. Ramaraw Vakeel will inform you on that Head. Please to dispatch the Business accordingly. Continue your Favour and Affection to me.

What can I say more ?

No. 116.

From Abdull Bob Cawn-rcvd the 27th of March 1754.

By the Blessing of God your Honour is our Helper & Supporter, I therefore sent for my Family from Goloconda. It was determined to let them abide in Madrass but the House was not provided for them for this and to refresh themselves from the Fatigues of the Journey I sent them to the Fort of Arcot. I now send Shaick Mamatulla to you. Please to provide 2 Houses fit for Mahaphooz Cawn & my Family to live in near the Fort. Namatulla will then look at them and refitt them as necessity may require to the End that I may send the Families there, you'll also be pleased to order a House in the white Town fit for 50, or, 60 Persons that it may be at my Service upon Occasion. As my Hopes are in Gods blessing and in your Strength in this Province I take the Liberty to trouble you in every Respect. May God grant you a long life attended with the same Goodness. You should shew your Favours to me in every Respect. As it was determin'd to let the Family abide in your Place I hope you'll permitt me to come there some Times. The Air in Madrass is disagreable which induces me to desire your Permission to send our own Families to abide in the Fort of Poonemelly as all their Attendants will live in Madrass. The Reason that our Families design to live in Poonemelly is for the benefit of the Air. If they can't get a House there Cajan Shades shall be made ready for them.

What can I say more ?

In Abdull Bob Cawns own Hand.

I have sent Meer Askery in the room of the said Shaick Namatulla to look at the Houses.

No. 117.

To the King of Tanjore dated March the 27th 1754.

I wrote you fully of Affairs and at the same time acquainted you I should send Padre Palk to you which I do. He will inform you of certain Matters, regard him as myself and shew him your Favour. Long Life and Happiness attend you.

No. 118.

From Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn of Cadapa
Rec'd the 31st of March 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to say that you had sent a Reinforcement to Devicot and that the Enemys rais'd the Seige and made their Escape advising me at the same Time that it was not proper to let my Family abide in Palem Cotah on Account of the future Consideration of the Affairs. I am very much obliged to you for your kind Advice & Goodness. It is true that it is not advisable to let my Family abide in the said Place in so troublesome a Time but as you are favourable to me, I am easy about the said Place, notwithstanding I must act agreable to the present Times and consent to the good Advice which may be given, I shall therefore be mindfull of the same. In regard to Chelemberam, as each others Affairs & Districts are to be deem'd in the same light on Account of the Friendship between us I need not urge much to you on that Head. You'll be mindfull to get the

said Place restord. Sanawasharaw gives his Attendance on you. If he applys to you on any Business I must desire your Attention and Endeavours to dispatch it. May Happiness always attend you.

What can I say more ?

P.S. I want 2 pair of Dogs one small and the other hairy from England fit for Hunting, favour me with these without Fail.

No. 119.

To the Killedar of Chitteput dated Aprill the 2^{D} 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter and observ'd the Contents The several Stores you requested were forwarded to Chingalaput and the Officer there advises me your People have taken charge of them. I shall take a proper Opportunity to send you the Guns. Write me constantly of your Health. What can I say more ?

No. 120.

From Ramah Naick dated the 10TH of March & receiv'd the 2^{D} of Aprill 1754.

I took the Liberty to send a Letter to you dated the 18th of Febry which I suppose gave you an Acco^{t} of Affairs. Some time ago I wrote several Letters to you but you did not inform me whether you had rec'd them. I must now acquaint you that ever since the Enemy seiz'd the Provisions from Tarcatpelly the Tanjoreans ceased to send any from their Town. On this the Nabob and the Major were pleas'd to tell me in the Manner following.

The Tanjorians ceas'd sending Provisions from their Town. It seems as if they made Friends with our Adversaries. We us'd to receive some Provisions from Tondamans Country but on Acco^{t} of the War between Tondaman and Maraver, Tondaman applyd us for an Assistance which we could not grant him. By Reason of the late Loss of Provisions and Men and as the said Tondaman stands in great Need of Assistance at present he may in all liklehood join our Enemys, to prevent which one of us or you should go to Tondaman but as it is not convenient for us to go you should go yourself and talk to him & prevent him from joining the Enemy. You shou'd also stay there for 10 days in order to appease him and to get a large Quantity of Provisions to be sent hither.

After the foregoing they order'd ten Horsemen to bear me Company and then gave me Leave to go. Tho' the Tanjoreans acted disagreable to us yet I took the Liberty to tell the Nabob from Time to Time to use Means to keep them in his Friendship. As the King is a very good Man he will not make any Alteration, you may therefore write to him in such Manner at this Juncture that it may create a Zeal to our Interest. On the 9th of March the Nabob and the Major were pleas'd to send me out on my Journey but as the Marata Horsemen are committing Hostilities as far as 8 miles from the Fort the Major order'd an Escourt of some Seapoys to accompany me as far as Caranore belonging to Tondaman within the distance of 2$\frac{1}{2}$ Country Leagues. By your favour I arriv'd safe in the said Place where I shall stay 2 Days and in the Interim it shall be my Endeavours to provide a large Quantity of Provisions and send it to the Fort under the Care of the Seapoys who come along with me as aforesaid as I have already sent People to different Parts as far as 10 miles to procure it, after this is done I shall continue on my Journey to Tondamans Country. The Nabob & the Major were pleas'd to tell me that as the War subsists between Tondaman & Marever they were of Opinion that one would join the Enemy and the other us which will be a means to increase the Disturbance for which Reason they desir'd to endeavour to make it up between them as it would afford them great Joy. Some time ago Tondamans People came hither & talk'd to me some certain Matters. As I am now going to him he will talk a great Deal to me. After my Discourse with him I shall inform you of the Particulars. Please to send your Directions for my future Proceedings.

No. 121.

FROM MAHOMED MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED THE 29TH OF MARCH & REC'D THE 3D OF APRILL 1754.

By the Blessing of God I have finish'd the affairs of Bommaraz Palligar and arrived in Conjeveram and paid a Visit to my Brother Abdull Bob Cawn. At present I have no other Business than to assist the Nabob. The Day on which I should commence my March is left to your Determination. I lately sent you the Letters from the Nabob & Kieredy Cawn which I suppose are come to your Perusal since which I received repeated Letters advising me that the Enemy on hearing of the Resolution of our March detached a Party of the Marates French &c with an Order to intercept the Passage who have already cross'd Cavarey & Coladam Rivers and arriv'd on this Side. I hope you have heard of it. In case of an Engagement in the Road (which God forbid) I have a proper Army of Horsemen to defend but am in want of Artillary without which there can be no regular Attack.

As all Affairs of the Circar has been dispatch'd by your Assistance from the Beginning of the Tròuble you [*sic* for " you'll "] still continue to do so I hope you will be so favourable as to send a Detachment of the Companys Troops consisting of the Hatmen & Seapoys with Guns, Ammunition and other warlike Necessaries with all possible Speed that they may join my Army and march to Terchenepelly. If you can't send it from Madrass Please to order the English Troops with Abdull Bob Cawn supplying them with the warlike Stores to march to Terchenepelly. It is necessary that you shou'd shew your favours to me on this Business.

What can I say more?

No. 122.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 29TH OF MARCH & REC'D THE 3D OF APRILL 1754.

I take the liberty to inform your Honour that Nabob Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn has finished the Affairs of Bommaraz and arriv'd in the plains of Conjeveram. At prest he has no other Inclination than to assist in the Affairs of Terchenepelly. The Day on which he should commence his march is left to your Determination. We observe the repeated letters from the Nabob that the enemy on hearing of Mahaphooz Cawns Resolution to march, detached a large body with a Direction to intercept the Passage who have already cross'd Cavarey & Coladam Rivers and arriv'd on this Side. I hope you have heard of it. In case of an Engagement upon the Road (which God forbid) Mahaphooz Cawn has a proper Army of Horsemen with him to defend but he is in want of Artillary. As all affairs of the Circar has been detach'd [*sic* for despatched] by your Assistance from the beginning of the Trouble You'll still continue to do so. I hope you'll send a Detachment of the Companys Troops consisting of Hatmen & Seapoys with Guns, Ammunition, &c Necessaries of War with all possible Speed that they may join the army and March to Terchenepelly. If you can't send it from Madrass Please to order the English Troops with me supplying them with Necessaries Stores to march to Terchenepelly. As it is reasonable & necessary for you to assist the Nabob Please to shew your Favours in sending the Companys Detachment.

What can I say more?

No. 123.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D APRILL THE 3D 1754.

I rec'd a letter with a strange Acco[t] from Hamedelly Cawn which I send enclos'd in Antazey Punts Letter who will give you a full Acco[t] of Affairs. Take it into your favourable Consideration. Please to consider what Shame & Disgrace it must be to

us. We with our whole Family & People resign'd ourselves over to God and your Protection. It is therefore requisite for your honour to do whatever may be conducive to our credit & Honour. We are under your Direction and obedient to you and we shall not act contrary to the best Advice that may be given us. There are two several Impediments about sending our Families, one is, that I sent Mahomed Ascary to Madrass with a Direction to get a House either in the said Place or in S^{t} Thome, and the other is that we are ready to send an Army to Terchenepelly. The People of the Army left their Families in Arcot. Shou'd I remove my Family and that of Mahaphooz Cawn from Arcot at this Juncture they will be disturb'd and will think of removing their Families also which will create great Confusion and occasion a Delay in sending the Army to Terchenepelly. If you are mindfull of taking Care of my Family & there is no Occasion for such a Hurry By the Blessing of God as soon as the Army is sent and the Houses procur'd I shall send the Families either to S^{t} Thome or to Madrass. At present it seems advisable to let them continue for some time in Arcot. Please to write the Captain at Arcot to leave this Affair, that is, removing the Families, entirely to my Pleasure and Management. If you have any thing to say on this Subject Please to write it to me that I may follow what is best agreable to your Pleasure.

What can I say more ?

In Abdull Bob Cawns own Hand.

It is necessary for your Honour to bestow your Favour on those who are in obedience to you.

A copy of a Letter from Hamadelly Cawn to Abdull Bob Cawn dated the 1st of Aprill 1754.

The day after I dispatch'd my letter to you or at 10 o'Clock in the Morning the Captain here came to my House and told me that the Governour of Madrass had wrote him 4 or 5 Letters with strict Orders to send away your Family from the Fort with all possible Speed. I answerd him that I wrote to you this morning on that Head and that I must wait till I heared from you to act agreable to your Orders which may be sent, to which he reply'd that if the Families are removed to morrow he will be quiet, if not, he will confine them the next day in the house of Rangueen Maul under his Guard. On this I let him know that if he did not chuse to wait till I rec'd your Orders I should leave the Fort and go away along with the Family. His Answer was that he would not order me to go away and that I was at Liberty to do what I pleas'd. This induc'd me to send Peer Mahomed to you let me know what you think best on this Head that I may act accordingly. The Captain informed me that 5 days ago he wrote a letter to you but you did not send him an Answer and that he wont wait till the next Day. I must beg you to favour me with an Answer with all possible Speed and let me know what I am to do about your Family and myself.

No. 124.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Aprill the 3^{d} 1754.

I have rec'd your letter and observe the Contents. I hope you have succeeded in raising money for the Payment of your Troops and will lose no time in marching to the Nabobs Assistance. I have sent all my men to Devicota. The Nabob has wrote repeated letters, you know his Happiness depends on your Troops, I need not urge more. Look upon this as a thousand Letters and be expeditious. The Nabob only waits the Arrival of your Troops when by the Blessing of God the enemy will meet with Shame. As the country is in Trouble and Salabet Jung may possibly come into this Province tis not safe for your Families to be in small Forts that are not to be defended. I have orderd my people to get proper Houses. Send them here and look upon Madrass as your own. Let me hear of your Health that I may be happy.

No. 125.

To Nabob Mahauphez Cawn dated Aprill the 3d 1754.

The Letter you sent me with Copys of those from the Nabob and Kierede Cawn I have had the Pleasure to receive. In it I observe with Joy that your Affection to the Nabob induced you to come to these Parts that you might Assist him. May the Almighty favour your good Designs and make the [them] successfull. You say that the raising Money occasion'd your Delay to this Time and that you will let me know when you have finish'd this Affair. I hope the Difficulty is removed. The Nabob has wrote me repeated Letters desiring you would be expeditious, the Sardar of our Forces also tells me that he only waits your Arrival to punish the Enemy by which you will perceive how greatly the Welfare of the Nabob and his Family depend upon your speedy Assistance and will I doubt not be expeditious. I have a Detachment at Davicota, it will be easy for you to join them there and when the Nabob receives Advice of it he will march with the whole Army. Antajee Punt will provide Houses for your Family and I desire you will make yourself easy. I must repeat to you to lose no time. May the Almighty bless you with Happiness.

What can I say more?

P.S. All my men are gone to Davicota. I have no time more.

No. 126.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Dated 4th April 1754.

I have rec'd your letter with the Bond. In regard to the Circar nothing particular has occurr'd since I wrote you. I have sent repeated letters to Abdull Bob Cawn to hasten the March of his Horse and he has as often urg'd the want of Money. He is your Brother, I am your Friend and have sent my Troops without Delay. If your Letters to him and his Duty are of no Effect how will he hearken to my Advice, however I shall still on your Acct continue to write him and Mauphez Cawn and forward his Horse. You have heard the Detachment sent you is arriv'd at Davicota where he may very easily join them. I have sent Padre Palk to Tanjore to remonstrate to the King the necessity of his joining you. I hope he will be successfull. We have no other advices of Salabad Jung than that he was 5 Days Journey on this Side Aurangabad. Write me constantly of your Affairs & Health that I may rejoice.

No. 127.

To Abdull Mazead Cawn Nabob of Cuddapa dated the 4th April 1754.

The letter you sent me gave me great Satisfaction. You are no doubt acquainted with what passes in this Province. The Mysore people are rich & powerfull and with the French continue their wicked Scheme. I have entered into a friendship with you & will be firm as a Rock. I have promis'd you my Assistance and you may depend on it. The fortune of War is precarious, Success is in the Power of the Almighty, we must wait his Pleasure. The affairs at Tretchenopoly remain unsettled which prevents the Army marchs to Chillembrem. Palliumcota is a small Fort & easily taken, therefore my advice to you is to send your family to Davicota and look on that Place as your own. Constantly write me of your affairs and let there be no Difference between us. Happiness attend you.

No. 128.

To Mauphis Cawn dated Aprill the 4th 1754.

As Mootas Allee Cawn has a sincere Regard for and is desirous of cultivating a firm Friendship with the Nabob he has for that purpose sent his Vakeel Vencajee Punt to me, this will also be agreable to the Nabob. By the Blessing of God I hope

it will be concluded. I must desire therefore that you will give orders to your several Ammuldars not to molest the Districts of the said Mootas Allee Cawn but on the Contrary that you will live in Friendship with him which will be a Means to promote your Happiness.

purport the same to Abdull Bob Cawn.

No. 129.

To Mootas Allee Cawn Phousdar of Veloor dated Aprill the 4th 1754.

I have had the Pleasure to receive your Letter & have convers'd with your Vackeel by both which I observe your Desire of establishing a firm Friendship with Nabob Mahomed Allee Cawn which gives me Pleasure. The peices of Cloth you sent reminds me of your Friendship. I must inform you the Nabob has the same Desire agreeing with you and as you seem satisfied so is he y^t^ I should be a Mediator. I have ordered Sampatrow to adjust matters with your Vakeel Vencajee Punt, do you send him the necessary Instructions as I wrote you so I agree that you enjoy every thing in the same manner as under old Nabob Annaverde Cawn and that you will on your part behave to the Nabob as you did to him. It is said you demand more, you know the Nabobs necessity at pres^t^ I am persuaded you will not desire it. When a man has but one Coat one would not ask it of him. You are wise I need not urge more. I have wrote to Mauphis Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawn. Let me constantly have the pleasure of hearing of your Health.

No. 130.

To Nabob Japher Alle Cawn Aprill the 4th 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive the Letter you wrote me. As I know it will be a satisfaction I must first tell you that your Family are safe at Vizagapatam. I have given Orders to the Chief there to do every thing agreable to them, therefore make yourself easy. Ibraham Alle Cawn has desir'd me to transact some Affairs for him which I shall regard as my own. When I heard of the Situation of the Rajahmundrum and Chickacull Country my advice to Vizeram Rauze was to maintain a strict Friendship with you, he rejected it, his Ambition blinded him, he is grasping at a Shadow and will be deceived, a certain People are making use of him to accomplish their wicked Scheme which when effected they will desert him and become his Enemy when he will wish he had taken my Councill. I share with you in your Misfortunes, the Ways of the Almighty are not to be fathom'd and his Will must be cheerfully obey'd. The whole Year is not one continual Rain the Clouds disperse and the Sun then shines out with greater Lustre, these Troubles will not last for ever. I hope to hear of your being resettl'd in your Government and happy. Write me constantly wherein I can be of Service to you that I may convince you I am mindfull of the Friendship that has long subsisted between us, let there be no Distinction. Long life and happiness attend you.

No. 131.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 6th of April 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that the Captain at Chengalpet has enter'd into a strange Resolution, which is that he makes it his Study to seize upon the Product of Pady &c from all the Districts of Chengalpet & Canangoly. I must observe to you that I order'd the paym^t^ of my Troops upon that Product and am endeavouring to detach them to Terchenepelly. The above action has not only occasion'd their Complaint but discourag'd them greatly which induce me to desire you'll write a strict Order to the Captain not to seize or molest the said Product to the End that I may use means to satisfye them anyhow and send the Assistance to the Nabob.

What can I say more?

No. 132.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN REC'D THE 7TH: OF APRILL 1754.

It is some days since I rec'd your Letters which gave an Account of your Health. I am desirous to hear of your Health, you may therefore be assur'd of my constant Inclination. Continue to write me friendly Letters that it may give me Joy. By the Blessing of God the Friendship between me and Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahadar was cemented because of your Mediation. The Districts of my Jagneer are under the Seizure of Abdull Bob Cawns People which makes me desire youll write a Letter to Abdull Bob Cawn and send it to me to the End that he may restore the said Districts to my Gomastas and cease molesting them on any Account whatsoever.

What can I say more?

No. 133.

FROM NABOB ANVERDY CAWN BAHADAR RECED THE 7TH: OF APRILL 1754.

The People who have several Pieces of Ground as Enamar (a free Gift) in the District of S^{t}: Thome enjoy them as usual and are thankfull for your Favours except Mahomed Abdulla Mustey of Arcot who has 10 Cawneys of Ground on which he planted beetle Gardens. This he enjoy'd both before and in the time of my deceas'd Father, but it is now seiz'd. He is not only a venerable Man but a Person of good Education and learning. I must therefore regard him. As there is a sincere Friendship & perfect Union between us I made bold to write this to you hoping that you 'll be so favourable as to restore the said ten Cawneys to the said Mahomed Abdulla Mustey which will me Joy.

What can I say more?

In Anverdy Cawns own Hand

Do this Favour without Fail.

No. 134.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D THE 7TH: OF APRILL 1754.

Barkey Vankataraw entertain'd Ragonada and 17 other Seapoys into his Service and gave them Fire-locks and sent them to his son Sanawasaraw at Dandagal. These went and did their Duty but the said Sanawasaraw did not give them even a Dacum or (Dodoo) in part of their Due which oblig'd them to undertake their Journey to Vankataraw, but Azeaz Cawn Tanadar belonging to Abdull Nabey Cawn in Terpatore hinder'd them and seiz'd on their Firelocks and told them he would not let them go unless he receiv'd a Letter from their Master, upon which they apply'd to him for the same. At that Time he extorted a writing from them concerning their Pay and then gave them a Letter to the said Azeaz Cawn to return the Firelocks which Letter they delivered to him and brought the Arms which they detain'd on Amount of their Pay and enter'd themselves in the Service of the Circar. As Vankataraw in Madrass is now disputing with them about the said Firelocks I have sent the said Ragonada to you. Please to decide this Affair in a reasonable Manner.

What can I say more?

No. 135.

TO MAHAUPHEZ CAWN DATED APRILL THE 10TH: 1754.

I have now sent Orders to my Sardar Ensign Francis Richard to march with you to Davecota. I am satisfied you will not delay. It has been reported that some Horse have been detach'd from Serangham but I cannot learn where they are gone, twill be necessary you keep Hircars constantly going and inform yourself of the Motions of the Enemy that you may disappoint any wicked Schemes they may have. The Chief

of Davecota has my Orders to send a Force part of the Way to favour your March. You will therefore by a trusty & expeditious Hircar advise him the exact Time you march and the Rout you intend to take that he may be the better able to take his Measures for your Advantage. May the Blessing of the Almighty attend you, your Arms be successful and you be happy.

The same to Abdull Bob Cawn.

No. 136.

To Abdull Bob Cawn, dated April the 10th 1754.

Some time ago that Suggana Chitty &c. apply'd to me and represented their Disputes, to decide which I wrote a Letter to you, but now Archoley Vearapa Chitty &c apply'd to me and represented their Disputes also. I do not know who is in the right or who in the wrong. I must therefore desire you'll send for both Partys & decide the Disputes in a reasonable Manner.

What can I say more ?

No. 137.

From Abdull Mazead Cawn Nabob of Cadapa
rec'd the 14 of April 1754.

Sanawasharaw has wrote me that by the Assistance of your Detachment from Devicot Pallem Cotah Manar Gody &c Places were preserved but on their Return to Devicot the French were presumptuous to molest Manar Gody a second Time, which makes me to desire you'll send your Troops to Pallem Cotah as before and write to Devicot to clear Manar Gody from the Hands of the French, this may be effected by your Endeavours. Several Affairs have been already dispatch'd by your assistance, since it is so, your present Delay seems to me very strange considering the Friendship between us. If you think that Abdull Kauder Cawn had neglected to pay your Troops, (which must be owing to his want) I desire you'll not mind it but on the contrary send the Troops with all possible Speed as he will now take Care to pay them.

A Second Paper inclosed.

I desire you'll in regard to the Friendship between us send me two Mortors with two European Marksmen well skilled in that Profession, you'll also send me the shells with Gun Powder and let me know the Cost and Charges thereof, don't delay this Affair.

No. 138.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn dated the 6th &
rec'd the 15th of April 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter dated the 18th of March after a long Expectation. I observe that you detach'd the english Troops to my Assistance by Sea to Devicot which I esteem as a great Favour and Kindness. As no one can think of my Affairs except you it is my Prayer to God y^{t} he may grant you a long Life attended with the same Favour.

You was pleas'd to say that you wrote repeated Letters to Abdull Bob Cawn about sending his Troops hither but that he answer'd and said that he could not do it because of the Arrears due to them and you added that the Marata Horse from Tervatore return'd to Serangam. Let me inform you that I wrote repeated Letters to Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn in the strongest Terms I was able & told them

not to delay any longer but to come with the Army with all possible Speed as it is proper time to punish the Enemy. I have firm hopes that these will arrive here very soon.

I approve of your Resolution of sending Padre Palk to discourse with the King of Tanjore, as he is a very sensible Man and acquainted with his natural Disposition. You'll send him without Fail & continue the Correspondence of Letters with the King.

You desir'd me to inform myself of the King of Tanjores Intention and communicate it to you. I must inform you that he continues to write to me and Major Lawrence full of Sincerity and Friendship. I don't see that he is inclin'd to join the Enemy, it seems he designs to send his Assistance on the Arrival of the English Troops and Arcot Army. As soon as the Troops from Devicot as well as from Arcot are arriv'd I shall then know the Truth of his Union. Your Honour may observe that he has not join'd the Enemy.

Nakeshbend Cawn in Salabet Jungs Camp is my Friend, he has a great Influence there. I have now receiv'd a Letter from him as well as from Basentaroy Vakeel, Copies of which, I send inclos'd in Antazey Punts Letter which will give you a full Acco^{t}· of Matters. Continue to write to me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

In Anverdy Cawn's own Hand.

The trouble which you took and Endeavours you us'd in my Affairs are inexpressible. I lay under an entire Obligation to you. I shall never forget your Kindness as long as I live.

A Copy of a Letter from Gulam Nackessbend Cawn to Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 10th : of Feb^{ry} : 1754.

Praised be God that I had the Honour to receive your Letter after a long Time advising me of your Health and compleat Victory gain'd, this has induced me to return thousand of Thanks to the Almighty. It is my Prawer [*sic*] that he may always make you victorious and reduce the French to Shame and Disgrace, may the whole World as well as myself express Amen for this Prayer. The People of all Ranks in the Decan Country as also the Musselmen are making the same Prayer both night and Day in the Presence of God by Reason of your having preserv'd the Credit of the House of Nizam. Tho' our Master meaning Salabet Jung is a young man and has but a little Experience in the Affair yet he is fond of your Name on a firm Footing. God is Witness to it he has a very good Opinion of you but it is not in his Power to do you Service for the French have extended their Authority in such Manner that even Sydoo Lascar Cawn was disgusted at their wicked Proceedings and laid down the Employm^{t} of an Absolute Agent. Shawnavaz Cawn accepted that Post by his Consent and when Sydoo Lascar Cawn lay'd down the Service Salabet Jung was pleas'd to say that he was willing to go to you so that he should accompany him. By this you may perceive his Regard to you. The Victories which you gain'd by Gods Help are imprinted in Peoples Hearts as a Mark upon a Stone, every one is busy in praying for your Victory & every thing will come to Perfection in Time. May God daily encrease his Blessings to you. There is a great Scarcity of Money in the Treasury here which is impossible to express herein to you. The French & the Marathers bear a great Sway after the Ruin of everything, they took the Field, as the Monsoon is near at Hand they may very likely go as far as Calbarga and Kishna and then return again. Shawnavaz Cawn has an entire Management of Affairs. I and several others depended upon him and ventered to undertake this Journey as all Affairs depend upon his Management. The French hated him before but they are true Friends to him at pres^{t} : he has a true Freindship & regard for you and wishes heartly for your Welfare & Happiness but you should wait for an Opportunity. If you have any Proposals write to him. I am in firm Hopes that he will dispatch all your Affairs.

Shawnavaz Cawn in his Discourse with Mons Bosey reflected upon Dupleix's Conduct and told him that his long Fight with you gain'd him nothing but the Destruction of the Country ruin and Injury and added that if is to the Monsr Boseys liking he was willing to conclude a Peace between Mr Dupleix and you. Monsr Bosey answered Shawnavaz Cawn and told him that he should be quiet for Fear of incurring the Displeasure of Dupleix and he told him also that if it reaches Dupleix's Ears he will certainly blame him and call him ungratefull to propose such a thing to his Loss since it had been his Endeavours to make him an absolute Agent and he told him further that these things shall be talk'd of in Time, thus they have these things in View you may think of the same and keep it a secret. You may wait in Hopes of God and his Prophets Blessg in your Affairs, as also of the Invocation of the Prophets, Apostals, Saints, Patriarchs, and other holy Men. I was sorry to hear of the Ruin which attended your Country. May God grant you Happiness. If you have any Request write in a secret Manner to Shawnavaz Cawn.

A Copy of a letter from Basentroy Vakeel to Nabob Anverdy Cawn dated the 19th: of Febry: 1754.

I lately return'd an Answer to your several Letters by the Causeds and Hircars (belonging to Naick) who came as Guides along with Mahomedar Beag but I am now to inform you that Yadaraw who has taken the Management of the Chout of the Carnatick upon himself arriv'd and waited upon the Ministers here on the 17th of Febry and inform'd them that if it is agreable to Court, Balazeraw is willing to use his Endeavours and make you agree to be content with Terchenepelly provided they put an End to the Troubles. The prime Minister suppos'd to be Shanavaz Cawn answer'd him that the French are very willing to agree to it but that the English will never consent to it. I am of Opinion that Letters will be sent upon this Occasion. It has been the Custom of Wise men to study the Instruction and Experience of their Predecessors & then to act according to the Dictates of their Reasons. By the Blessing of God your Servants are Ingenious and Men of Experience and well acquainted with the Methods us'd here, it is therefore requisite for them to act in such Manner as to prevent any Cause of Uneasiness in Future. The Army lies encamp'd at Mahdob seven Coasses on this Side of Shagada to the 18th. The Prime Minister procured about 20 Lacks of Rupees by Way of Presents and by letting out Goloconda Country on Rent and by that Means the Army was enabled to begin their March. They have the Circar and the French Artillary with them but there are few or no Sirdars in the Army. I suppose Cawna Aulam and Shaickally Cawn will come and it is very likely that Janozey will go along with Sydoo Lascar Cawn to Barad. Salayamanzey is arriv'd near the Army but the Officers with him are unwilling to undertake so long a March to the Carnateck Country. Rajah Ramah Chenda is still in his own Country. There are upwards of 5 or 6 Thousand Horse of the Circar but their whole Dependance is upon the Seapoys & Europeans. May God grant you what may be most conducive to the Happiness of the People. Mohan Laul your Vakeel declin'd acting here for fear of the French and entered in the Service of Shawnavaz Cawn as a Writer. On my Part I continue in my Duty and write to you.

No. 139.

From Nizar Mahomed Cawn Killidar of Chetpet
rec'd the 16th of Aprill 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Favour on the 9th Instant at 12 o'Clock in the Forenoon wherein you was pleas'd to say that you had sent the Stores to Chengalpet agreable to my Desire and that the Officer there wrote to you that he deliver'd them to my People promising at the same Time to take an Opportunity to send me the Guns. I must beg leave to inform your Honour that I sent a Guard of 100 Seapoys to Chengalpet with necessary Carriages but the Stores are not yet brought hither this Day being the 10th. I am in hopes that they will be brought

hither safe in a Day or two. I must beg you'll favour me with the Guns whenever it is convenient and look upon me as your Dependant & continue your kind Correspondence with me.

What can I say more?

No. 140.

FROM PERTAPA SING OF TANJORE REC'D THE 16TH OF APRILL 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter. Major Lawrence acquainted me that your Honours Letter to me was lost by the Hircar in the Road and that he rec'd the English Copy thereof from you which he got wrote in the Marata Language and sent it to me by which I observe every Particular. You was pleas'd to say that Mr Dupleix had acquainted you by a Letter that I sent two Hircars to Madam Dupleix concerning a Peace. The whole World knows the Friendship & Peace that subsists between us, none of my People wait there. You was pleas'd to say also that my Vakeel inform'd you that she offer'd to restore the Districts of Coricol and to get 10 lacks of Rupees from Nanzeraz and to give ten Lack of Country belonging to Terchenepelly provided I would lay down my Arms which induc'd you to communicate it to Dupleix who you say is not able to do this Business and you added that I shall perceive it very plainly by what has pass'd between you and him. I must inform you that Dupleix wrote me a Letter wherein he acquainted me that he has been inform'd of my sending a Copy of a Letter said to be from his Wife to your Honour wherein she promised to settle the Affair upon the above Footing, he acquainted me also that he never wrote any, to which I return'd an Answer & told him that there pass'd a like Discourse in the Time of Chenda which I suppos'd my Vakeel had inform'd you with it, and yt. it must have induc'd you to write to him of it. I lately communicated this to you. Mr Dupleix sent a second Letter to me importing that as he and his Wife did not write any Letter to me, how was it that I sent a Paper for a Copy of the Letter. To this, I wrote an Answer and told him that neither he or his Wife did send any Letter to me nor did I send a Copy of it to you but that it has been talk'd of by Word of Month which I suppos'd induc'd you to write to him. I write this that you may be acquainted with what pass'd. You intimated to me that the Governour of Pondicherry is not inclined to a Peace but on the Contrary he promis'd Terchenepelly to Raza Saib and Nanzeraz and declar'd that he had a Saned in his Name and you added that his Intention is to govern the whole Country himself advising me at the same Time that without we punish them, we can't bring him into the right Way and you say that this Consideration has induced you to send for Padre Palk whom you design to send hither to give me a particular Account of everything. As Dupleix's Intention is bad and he designs to extend his Authority in every Respect he will never succeed in his Undertaking nor will he gain any Reputation or Victory either at present or in Future. You intimate to me also that the Enemy was weak and that it would be better to attack them soon, that Salabet Jungs coming is talked of, that the French would not come to any reasonable Terms, that we should not trust Morarey and that you wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn to send his Horse to the Nabob, telling me at the same Time that if a proper Measure is taken at this Juncture we are sure of Success according to our Desire. I must tell you that I depended upon your Word & Friendship and undertook this Affair. The Enemy took shelter at the Pagode whom we should punish with a large Army. If we give him a slight Defeat as before it will be of no Force for the Dallaway is very rich, he will recollect his Forces, it is therefore necessary that we should punish them with a large Army, the Arcot Army should join the Nabob, you should also send a proper Force. I did not receive any Acct of Salabat Jungs March this Way. Balazeraw will come with a large Army, he has wrote me a Letter on that Head, if he comes it will be agreable to all Affairs. I wrote fully to him concerning you and the Nabob. As his Army will soon come it has terrify'd Nanzeraz and he is now sending part of the Army to Serangapatam. Balazeraw bears great Malice agt.

Morarey and the Mayasorians. You are Ingenious attended with a good Reputation, you wish for a general Happiness and your View is upon Goodness you'll therefore meet with success according to your Desire. I must repeat that I depended upon your Friendship and undertook this Affair. My Army is near at Hand. This is the time of the Harvest in the country. Morarey by his Wickedness is consulting a bad Scheme for to send his Army again into my Country to plunder and to prevent my receiving the Produce thereof. As several of the Inhabitants of my Country were kill'd in the late Incursions they are now deserting the Country for Fear. Nothing is regularly manag'd in the Country at present. I have detach'd an Army & placed strong Guards in different Parts of my Country. You was pleas'd to say that you would send M^r. Palk hither. Please to send him to me. Your Honour may observe that I and Ramah Naick can never agree together. You was pleas'd to say that you'll regard the Affairs here as your own. Let me inform you that in reality my Country is your own, can any one think of its Welfare and Happiness except you ? I depend upon you in every Respect. I need not be under any Manner of Apprehensions. You gave me to understand that your Health was impair'd which gave me Uneasiness. Let me know what Fit of Sickness you have upon you and who gives you Physick. I can't be at Rest before I hear from you that you enjoy your Health. You say that you deliver'd certain Goods to Ramaraw who have forwarded them to me. In regard to the Horses you was pleas'd to say that he may buy what he pleases, concerning which I have wrote to him he will inform you by Word of Mouth. Continue to write to me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

No. 141.

FROM MAHOMED ASSADULLA CAWN LATE KILLEDAR OF CHENGALPET RECEIV'D THE 17^TH OF APRILL 1754.

Some time ago I wrote you a Letter and gave you an Account of my Afflictions in answer to which you was pleas'd to say that I should apply to the Nabob & represent my Affairs to him and that you'll be glad to write to him about it. I expect that the Nabob would come to this Province attended with Victory, then I intended to have talk'd about this Affair in your Presence and finish it, but the Nabob was detain'd in Order to settle the Affairs in those Parts. It is 3 years since the Enemy blam'd me by a Letter that I was in the Nabobs and your Interest and by that means they turn'd me out of the Fort by Treachery and confin'd me for a whole year in Covalong till M^r Clive attack'd that Place. I have not had the necessary Carriages and Convenience with me, for which Reason I left behind me the Remainder of what had been sav'd from the Molestation of Paupia Pilla and in order to save my Family and Credit I was obliged to go to Sadrass with a suit of Cloaths with me & under great Distress. I have a large Family or 200 Men and Women with me, they suffer great Hardships. I never hear'd of the like Affliction in my Life. They plunderd me of what I had twice, both in Chengalpet and Covalong. I have hitherto borrow'd Money &^c. and maintain'd myself & Family but now nobody will lend me any Money. My Father was a Nobleman or Subadar of this Country. I enjoy'd the Killedarship of Chengalpet as my right according to the Saneds from the Patcha and Nizam. All the Killedars enjoy their respective towns under your Honour and are happy. I am your old Friend, notwithstanding I was depriv'd of my Right to my great Sorrow, this surprizes me greatly. I hope therefore that your Goodness will condesend to get my Affairs finished in the same Manner as other Killedars and to order my Fort and Jagueer to be restor'd. If you think it necessary to place your Guard in the Fort till the Disturbance in the Country is ceas'd, You'll then order my Naib in the Room of Jamanadey Cawn and restore the Jagueer to me to support the Expence which will enable me to discharge the former and present Creditors Debts and always to think of your Favour. I am very poor at

present, I beg you'll write to the Nabob of it, you'll also write to Mahaphooz Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawn to finish this Affair that I may send the Vackeel to them. As your Honour is mercifull, I thought fit to write you the foregoing. Please to shew your Favours to me. Continue your kind Correspondance with me.

A note enclosed.

I send you a Present of Sweetmeat made of Almonds &c in 2 Bandaza's. Please to accept it.

No. 142.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN RECEIV'D THE 19TH OF APRILL 1754.

I have sent my People to Madrass in order to buy China Ware Sugar Candy &c they have my Desteck Oxen and Cooleys with them. I must desire you'll on their Return grant them your Desteck that nobody may molest them in the Road.

What can I say more?

No. 143.

FROM THE RAZA OF TANASERY DATED THE 1ST OF MARCH AND REC'D THE 20TH OF APRILL 1754.

I take the Liberty to inform you that by Order of the Prince I have sent a Ship this Year to those Parts laden [with] Elephants, Tin, Rice and Elephants Teeth under the Care of Nocqueda Mahomed Amcan, Cabezmaul & Banchey Calang. It has been the Custom of the Predecessors here and in your Place to maintain a firm Friendship between them and to assist each other thereby to preserve the Continuance of Trade and sending the Ships. I hope therefore that you'll, agreable to the old Custom, be inclin'd to assist in providing the Goods according to the Muster sent & to observe what Goods the Prince was pleas'd to order to procure and likewise to assist in disposing of the Goods sent as above. You'll favour them in such Manner that they may be able to proceed on their Voyage hither on the first Monsoon without Loss of Time. Let me know the Assistance which you may give to the Nocquedah &c by a writing that I may communicate it to the Prince who is in Siam which will be a Means to cement the Friendship between you and him. I am newly arriv'd here which is the Reason I could not procure suitable things to be sent to you. At present I send you by Way of Friendship two Kins of fine Rice and beg you'll not take it amiss, but on the Contrary accept at. Let the Friendship between us increase.

N.B. A Kin is reckoned about 80 Marcals of this Place.

No. 144.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN RECEIV'D THE 21ST APRILL 1754.

Inclos'd is a Paper in which several Kists are incerted in regard to the Paymt of 1 Lack of Rupees which I was orderd to pay you. The said paper is sealed with the Seal of Walley Mahomed Cawn Amuldar of Terpasore and as this Terpasore Country was formerly made over in payment of the Seapoys Wages a large sum was collected at that Time from the said Country which reduced the present Years Ballance on that Country to Rups. 60000 which the said Walley Mahomed Cawn will pay you in 3 Kists to the End of June. As to the Remainder of 40 thousand Rupees he will discharge it in two Kists to Septr Feast. I thought fit to acquaint you with it.

What can I say more?

The Paper inclos'd under the Seal of Walley Mahomed Cawn Amuldar of Terpasore.

The said Amuldar agrees to pay 1 Lack of Rupees according to an Order out of the Revenues of Terpasore &c by the following Paymts on Condition they continue the Management on him. Viz.

In the Month of Razel [*sic*] which begins on the 23d of Aprill 1754.	Rups.	20000
In the Month of Shaban which will begin about the 22d. May 1754.		20000
In the Month of Ramzam which will begin about the 22d. June 1754.		20000
In all to be paid to June		60000
In the Month of Shaval which will begin about the 22d. July 1754.	Rupees. 20000	
In the Month of Zeacad which will begin about 22d. of Augst. 1754.	20000	
	Rups.	40000
	Total	100000

No. 145.

From Mahaphooz Cawn rec'd the 22D. of Aprill 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to say that you orderd Ensign Piccard to march which gave me Joy. May God grant you a long Life. It is impossible for me to express the least part of the Favours which you reserve to our House. I am very ready and willing to go to Terchenepelly and to that End I am daily pressing my Brother Abdull Bob Cawn to defray the Expences of the Troops on any Account whatsoever and then to dispatch me. By our Reckoning we want 5 Lacks of Rupees. If we think of collects this Money from the Country it will take up a long Time as it cannot be done so soon as we expect. It is necessary that I should march to Terchenepelly directly. I look upon a Day as a Year at this Juncture. If we think of borrowing Money from the Savacars there is no Savacar here as all of them retir'd to Madrass and settled themselves in that Place. If we are able to get about 2 Lacks of Rupees we can pay a part to the Troops and prevail on them to go. All Affairs of the Circar were settled by your Assistance. If you at this Juncture get us the said sum of 2 Lacks of Rupees from the Savacar Abdull Bob Cawn will give a Bond for it to discharge it in 3 Months which he shall punctually observe by paying the Principal & Interest thereon. If this Affair is finished I can soon march. Abdull Bob Cawn is endeavouring to get the Money from his Amuldars but it seems a Work of Delay. I therefore cannot appoint a Day to begin my March on. Your Honour may be assur'd that the Delay is not owing to my Neglect. I thought fit to give you a particular Accot of the Foregoing to clear myself from the Blame. I alone am very ready.

What can I say more?

No. 146.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 10th & rec'd the 23D of Aprill 1754.

I receiv'd Letters from the Vackeel in Salabet Jungs Camp, Copies of which I send enclos'd by which you'll perceive the Resolution of Salabet Jung & Balazeraw. I must tell you that Balazeraw is a great Man in the Decan Country. Should he & Salabet Jung agree together that a Phousdar should be sent to command in the Arcot Country to use both the English & the French friendly and look upon them in an equal light and that I should have Terchenepelly, Medera and Tinnavelly it may be accepted if it is agreed and concluded by Balazeraws security. Please to let me know your Sentiments on this.

Occasion as I am obedient & willing to act according to your Advice and Councill. By the present Circumstances of Affairs it seems that Salabet Jung cannot come this Year to this Province notwithstanding there is still Time to do it but in the Interim should Mahaphooz Cawn arrive here with the English Troops it may be in our Power to defeat the Mischeivous Enemy in which Case no one dare venture to make an Attempt against us. I undertook this weighty Affair by virtue of proper Saneds (Copies of which were sent lately to you) as also by your Assistance. This has always gain'd you a good name put the Omras under an Obligation and gave Joy to the Patcha of Indostan Country. At present I have no other Intention than to act according to your Pleasure. I shall do whatever you may be pleas'd to write to me. Some Time ago I rec'd a Letter from Matick Mahomed Assalem Cawn my Agent with Balazeraw upon the same Affair but I wrote him a clear Answer. I shall do the same to the Vackeel at present. If Salabet Jung and Belazeraw write to you on this Affair you'll be mindfull to return them cautious Answers. I give you warning before Hand. Write me what you think is best for me that I may act accordingly or write the same in my Answer to their Letters which I may very likely receive. May Happiness attend you.

A Copy of a Letter which the Nabob receiv'd from his Vackeel.

It is a long Time since I had the Happiness of receiving your Letter. Some time ago I acquainted you of certain Particulars. Altho' I wrote seldom to you since, yet I believe your other Servants have informed you of the Occurrences here. The victorious Army lay encamp'd in the Plains of Shagadar to the 24th of Febry 1754. It seems that they will by continually marchs arrive on the Banks of Kistna River. Yadaraw has taken the Managemt of Chout and Sir Dasamokey of the Carnateck Country upon himself and arriv'd in the Army and waited upon Salabet Jung who was pleas'd to honour him with a Present of 4 pieces of Cloth upon which he deliver'd Balazeraw Message to him in the Manner following.

Aneverdy Cawn is a great Sirdar and exerted himself to the utmost, you should on no Account forsake him, you should act agreable to your Pleasure and preserve the Good Will of the Governour of Pondicherry, it is therefore better to confer the Government of Terchenepelly Madera & Tinnevelly on Aneverdy Cawn and send another Governour to Arcot Country.

After a long Dispute upon the above Message and as Shawnavaz Cawn engag'd his Interest in this Affair Salabet Jung agreed to it, but as he has a great regard to Monsr Bosey he was pleas'd to order to make him agree also to it. On this Shawnavaz Cawn sent for Monsr Bosey to his House or Tent and explain'd the Affairs to him by several Means and prevail'd on him with many Intreaties to agree that you shou'd have the Government of Terchenepelly Medera, and Tinnevelly. As to the Arcot Country which the Governour of Pondicherry desir'd to be given in his own Name Shawnavaz Cawn said that if it is given as he desired it will be disagreable to the English for which Reason he concluded that it would be best to send another Phousdar to Arcot Country to the end that the English and the French may remain in Obedience to him. This was agreed on. At length it was determin'd that Yadaraw shou'd write this to Balazeraw and You. I waited upon the said Yadaraw who shew'd a great Favour to me & inform'd me concerning Malick Mahomed Assalem Cawn's stay with Balazeraw as well as what happen'd to him and likewise his Answer to you and Balazeraw in addition to what was then terminated in the Army, you was plagued and disturbed with War from these 5 Years past and run in debt on that Account but now the above Proposal was made to put an end to the Trouble and to conclude a Peace between the Parties, if you think it proper by Madrass Governours Approbation and Councill, do it.

I thought fit to give you a particular Account of Balazeraws Proposal in regard to the Circars Affairs and of Yadaraws Application and of their Compliance to it as aforesaid but you may do what is agreable to the present Times and return a proper Answer. You'll be cautious of the Enemy's pretended Civilities. I am unacquainted how Affairs stand with you. Please to let me know the same.

A Copy of a Letter which the Nabob rec'd from the Vackeel.

I lately gave you an Acco^{t} of the Occurrences here. It is a long Time since I had the Happiness of receiving your Letter, the Hircars whom I sent are not yet return'd. I wait in Expectation. The Enemy reported here that the Place was taken and they fired some Guns upon that Occasion and played upon the Musick call'd Noubet, at length News was brought that the Enemys were destroy'd which I thought was oweing to Gods Mercy and returned my Thanks to him for it. Salabet Jung enter'd into his Tent fix'd by the Garden of Hasey Mahomedally Cawn which was lately bought by Saff Shecan Cawn on the 14th of Jan^{ry} 1754. This Day being the 1st of Feb^{ry} he arriv'd within ten Coasses on this Side of Shagada. The Hircars who were sent by me and some others return'd with four Letters from you dated to the 3^{d} of December 1753. I was happy to receive them but I did no chuse to take notice of their long Stay because of some Doubts, notwithstanding they pleaded that their Hire was order'd to be paid them in a certain Place where they could not receive it soon as they expected.

You intimated to me that the War has subsisted from several Years with the Enemy and that you exerted yourself to the utmost as a faithfull Serv^{t}· and that Salabet Jung was a Prince of the Province who shou'd take care of his own Country and you added that the Enemys Intention is to take Possession of the Country and to use his Authority in it but that you are objecting it. I must acknowledge that you are always defeating the Enemy in your Place but the people here are not at Liberty even to drink pure Water without their permission. Nothing can be done without the Will of God. Their entire Resolution & desire to carry Salabet Jung to those Parts on any Account whatsoever to take their Revenge of You. Tho' Salabet Jung was not provided with necessary Stores for marching yet he was prevail'd on to undertake it. The Monsoon is drawing nigh if he can't proceed thither this Year he may very likely take his Quarters on this Side of Kishna and then in the beginning of the next Year he may continue on his March, in which Case what may be the Will of God, I can't tell. The Manner of the Servants Duties and their Masters usage to them are quite abolish'd in this World. One must wait in hopes of Gods Mercy. May God grant Happiness to Shawnavaz Cawn for he has been so good to make me a Paschar to stay with him which I reckon as a very great Favour and Kindness.

No. 147.

To Mahaupheez Cawn dated Aprill the 24th 1754.

I receiv'd your Letter and observe the Contents. When you before wrote me that you had finish'd your Affairs & only waited the Arrival of our Troops to march I immediately send them and have long since heard of their joining you, how great is my surprize now to find you raise new Difficulties. I wish it was in my Power to grant your Request but it is impossible. I have sent for several Merch^{ts} but they are deaf to all my Proposals. I must inform you that the Nabob has long with Impatience expected you, that the King of Tanjore will not join till you arrive and in short that the Success or ruin of the Nabobs Affairs depends upon you. When I write you this I am assur'd you will try all Means & I hope will succeed therein that the almighty may bless you in your Designs are my Wishes as thereby your Reputation will be great. Let the Friendship between us increase.

No. 148.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Aprill the 24th 1754.

I have had the Pleasure to receive your several Letters with the Notes on the Amuldar of Tripossore which I will endeavour to receive and bring to the Nabobs Accounts. The Man you sent to Barkuvencatrough is not the right Person tis Ragonada Hazary please to dispatch this Business. The Officer commanding at Arcot writes me some trifling repairs are wanting, order your People by all means to Assist

them. You are with me equally sensible how necessary a store of Paddy is in those Garrisons & as it amounts to a small sum I am persuaded you will give such Directions as may be necessary. Agreable to Mahauphooz Cawns and your Desire I sent some Troops to join you and the Chief of Davicota has long had my Orders to meet you. I am sorry to find you are not yet march'd. I must tell you that if you proceed the Nabobs Affairs will prosper and you require a great Reputation, if you neglect it the King of Tanjore will not join him & he will inevitably be ruin'd. Let me desire you to exert yourself that Happiness may attend the Nabob and you.

What can I say more?

No. 149.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 24th of Aprill 1754.

The Fort of Chittore is in the Possession of the Circar. I want some Guns for the said Fort which makes me to desire you'll either sell or lend me four Guns out of the Companys that I may send them to the said Fort. A small Gun which I got in Plunder in the Battle at Ternamel I ordered to be lodg'd in Temery Fort. I want it now, but Mr P. who commands in Arcot is desirous of your Order about it. I hope therefore that you'll write to him to deliver the said Gun to me.

What can I say more?

No. 150.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Aprill 25th 1754.

Sanawasa Chery Amuldar of Terpetty has settled his Affairs to the Feast of Decr which is two Kists according to Sampetroys Accounts and there appearing a sum of Star P. 35383,,26,,30, due on that Account, he has given the Savacars Notes for the Payment thereof in two months and then obtain'd Leave to depart. As soon as the said sum is paid, I shall give a receipt for it to the Circar. I thought fit to acquaint you with the Foregoing and hope you'll not molest the said Amuldar.

What can I say more?

The same to Mahauphooz Cawn

No. 151.

To Ibraham Allee Cawn dated Aprill the 25th 1754.

This is just to acquaint you I have put eight Peons on board your freight Vessell and now send her to you. Happiness attend you.

No. 152.

From the King of Tanjore rec'd the 28th of Aprill 1754.

I rec'd your two Letters and observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to intimate that Morarey will join those who may offer most Money that he was not fit to be trusted and that I acquainted you before by a Letter that if the Fort of Terchenepelly is possess'd by Nanzeraz it would be dangerous to my Country desiring me at the same Time to join my Army immediately in which Case you said that the Enemy would be defeated and that all our affairs would meet with Success. It is true that Morarey is deceiptfull & that we can't trust being [*sic*] but I can not omit writing you that Morarey had been necessitated to send a Message to me, but we could not transact Business agreable to it, upon which he sent his Troops to my Country which he plundered and kill'd several of the Braminies & Inhabitants. On this I detached my Army & gave a total Defeat to the said Troops which enrag'd him to send for a fresh Force

from beyond Canama and he threatens at present to send his Troops with all Conveniences to plunder my Country a second Time. This Clamour has oblig'd the Inhabitants to desert which put a stop to all manner of Transactions in the Country. The said Morarey is not contented with these Threats but sends to acquaint me that he will again enter into a Resolution of plundering the Country if his Effects Horses and other Goods which has been plunder'd are not returned to him, but if they are returned he promis'd to be quiet. It is impossible for me to reherse the subtle Proceedings and Wickedness of the said Morarey. My whole Estate is the Country which has been twice plundered, there is not much Product to be got by it. I must collect some things from the Country to pay the army. The Inhabitants of the said Country are running away frequently which induc'd me to place strong Guards in different Parts of the Country, notwithstanding the Inhabitants are unwilling to continue in it because of the former Fear. Thus a great Affliction attends me. It is impossible to support the Army before I can get part of the Product of the Country. Your Honour may observe that my Army is near at Hand but you should be mindfull to send a proper Reinforcement. The Nabobs Force should also arrive in order that we may then be enabled to attack the Enemy with a large Army & defeat them. You should therefore endeavour to supply me with the above Reinforcement without Delay. You say that Mons^{r} Dupleix is unwilling to finish the Affair in a reasonable manner. It is his Intention to have an entire Power over every thing, he does not like that any other should remain with a Power, which is the Reason that he could not succeed in any of his Undertakings to this Day nor will he gain any Reputation. I am of opinion he cannot be successfull in future. Your Intention is good and you wish for a general Happiness with a View to gain a good Name for which Reason success attends you in all your Undertakings and you are acquiring a great Name. You was pleas'd to say that you intended to send Padre Palk to me to explain certain Affairs whom I should regard as yourself. I must acknowledge that this Padre is endow'd with Wisdom and a Man of Business and Experience. I shall like his coming here then I shall hearken to what he may say to me and write you agreable to it. I wrote lately to you that Balazerow from Ponnah is marching this Way but you was pleas'd to say that you have been inform'd of Salabet Jung's Resolution to march to his Country & that Balazerow was determined to hinder it. Let me inform you that Salabet Jung is not inclin'd to come here nor have I rec'd any written Acco^{t} of his coming. Balazerow is coming at the Head of his Army and he is Sending continual Letters to me, he has wrote the Nabob upon the same Subject. It is reported here that Balazerows Troops enter'd the Mayeesore Country and are committing Hostilities there. If I receive any further Account I shall communicate it to you. You say that I must be acquainted with the Dallaways Message to the Major as he had wrote to me of it. I must tell you that the Dallaways wicked intention is to possess the Fort of Terchenepelly of which you are sensible. It was a great Joy and Satisfaction for me to hear from you that some Sardars with soldiers are coming from Bombay. My Prayers to God are upon the same Business. It will be better and more advantageous to have as many Men as can be got in which case the Enemy will be destroy'd. Continue to write to me of your Health that it may give me Joy.

What can I say more ?

No. 153.

To Pratap Sing King of Tanjore dated Aprill the 29th 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein you write me concerning Madam Dupleix's Letter. I now send copy of your Vakeels to me to M^{r} Palk. In your Letter you tell me Ramma would acquaint me with certain Affairs and that Letter is the Purport of those Affairs. I desire you will explain this Affair to him. You say that the Enemy are very rich & powerfull and that we should punish them with a large Army. I must inform you that tis long since I sent a Detachment of Men to Devecota and am prevailing on Mahauphiz Cawn to join the Nabob with his Force but if we continue thus unactive they will still grow stronger and the Difficulty will

be greater, besides the Expence continues. It is necessary therefore to come to Resolution. I have wrote fully to Major Lawrence and Padre Palk. I desire you will confer with them on the Measures proper to be taken that we may not suffer by Delays & immediately write me your sentiments that I may be the better able to act for your Benefit. Happiness attend you.

What can I say more ?

No. 154.

To Nabob Annaverdecawn Bahadur dated Aprill the 29th 1754.

Your Letters with the Copys of those from your Vackeel in Salabet Jungs Camp gave me great satisfaction. I shall order the Affair of the Beetle Gardens to be settled. I am sorry to advise you that all I can write to Mahauphez Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawn is of no Effect. They are continually inventing new Excuses and delaying their March so little regard have they for your Happiness. I shall still persist in giving them my Advice. It was thought necessary to put a Quantity of Paddy into the Forts of Arcot [and] Chingleput. You gave Directions for it but Abdul Bob Cawn instead of paying a proper regard to them prevents it. T was your Request and Mahauphez Cawn and Abdull Bob Cawn desir'd I would permit their Families to reside in Madrass. As there is no Distinction between us I wrote them to regard Madrass as their own and Houses were accordingly provided but to my surprize not only their Families but many other Women who are happy with Abdull Bob Cawns Favours were sent to Arcot. You are wise, you know the absolute necessity of a Quantity of Provisions being in these Places and your Experience in that makes you sensible how improper it is for Women to be in Forts. Shew your affection to your Brother and give him such Advice that he may act in a manner more conducive to yours and his Happiness. I observe what you write concerning Balazerow Salabad Jung Shawnawasa Cawn and Mr Bussy with their Intentions in regard to restoring Peace to the Country. I have wrote fully to Major Lawrence & Padre Palk concerning Affairs who will communicate every thing to you. If upon weighing the several Circumstances tis found impossible to punish the Enemy twill certainly be adviseable to lose no Time but come to an Accomodation before tis too late. Write me constantly of your Health and wherein I can be of service to you.

No. 155.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 29th Aprill 1754.

I send enclos'd a Copy of Murtazally Cawn Killedar of Valore his Agreement under his Seal attested with the Seal of the Caudy together with a Copy of a Letter of Indulgence given him by me by the Consent and Advice of Mahauphooz Cawn which will give you a full Acco^{t} of Matters.

What can I say more ?

A copy of Murtuzalla Cawns Agreement attested with the Seal of the Caudy

I hereby swear laying my Hand on the holy Book of Phurkan chusing God and his Prophets as also the blessed Patriarcks and Alcoran as a Witness, and acknowledge Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahaudar *alias* Anneverdy Cawn Subah of the Carnateck Pagan Gaut under the Jurisdiction of Golconda & it shall be my constant Duty to act and do whatever may be conducive to the Welfare, Happyness and firmness of the Affairs & Prosperity of the Nabob on a firm Footing. I shall observe this according as it hath been customary here. I shall on no Account act contrary to the Nabobs Word and Writing. Should any Enemy endeavour to disturb the Peace of the Country I shall yeild my Assistance to the Nabob in punishing him according to my Ability. I shall also be in Union with Abdull Bob Cawn Bahaudar.

A copy of a Letter of Indulgence to Murtazally Cawn.

I hereby swear laying my Hand on the holy Book of Phurkan chusing God and his Prophet as also the blessed Patriarchs & Alcoran as a Witness to act according to the seven Articles here underwritten.

1st: I shall not dispossess the Forts & Jaqueers which you and your Brother as also Mensebdars &c[a] belonging to you have had in the Time of my deceas'd Father. As the Fort of Chettoor belongs to you it shall be restor'd to you as soon as the Troubles are over together with the conditional Jaqueer. On Account [of] Ahasham (or Military) I have great Hopes of benefit in You, for which Reason I don't value the customary Taxes which I shall not demand of you either at present or in future. As to the Phousdars Fees nobody shall molest you.

2dly: You demand a Jagueer to be given you in lieu of what you have at a Distance. About this (after the Troubles are over) I shall dismiss a certain Person, &c[a] and then will grant your Desire. At present I shall grant orders to clear your Jagueer which is under the seizure of the Circars Amuldars.

3dly: You desire that Agaram & Tutepet be given in your Jaqueer. By the Blessing of God as soon as the Union is settled with each other I shall send for the Nabob's Grant to that End.

4thly: Should any one molest you, I shall assist you on all Accounts against it. You may believe me to be your sincere Ally

5thly: I shall procure & send you Letters of Indulgence from the Governour of Madrass & Nabob Annaverdy Cawn Bahaudar.

6thly: You requested me to confer the Employment of the Patcha Backshey & to grant a Jaqueer to Ally Doast Cawn son to Subderally Cawn deceas'd. As the Nabob reserves a Favour for the said Doast Ally Cawn, (after the War and Troubles are over) it shall be granted together with a proper Jaqueer.

7thly: You requested me also to grant Maselmely, Checarazpore & Coconore as a Jaqueer to Zayanelabedeen Cawn. As I must preserve your Good Will above all other affairs, I grant it to you.

No. 156.

From Abdull Bob Cawn dated the 25th & rec'd the 29th: of Aprill 1754.

By the Blessing of God and your Favour I used my utmost Endeavours and with great Pain & Trouble we determin'd that Mahaphooz Cawn should begin his March on the 30th Instant. He will therefore proceed thither (supposed to be Terchenepelly) on that Day by the Way of Devicot. I shall let you know by and by the stages which may be settl'd. There are some things urgent which I refer to the verbal Accounts of Antoozev Punt.

What can I say more?

No. 157.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 1st of May 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that Baker Hussam Cawn liv'd under your favourable Protection from a long Time but lately by his bad Luck was plunder'd by the Thieves who broke thro' the Walls of his House & carried away all his Money Goods & other Effects which reduc'd him to so great Poverty that he can hardly subsist, but upon a Report made thereof to your Honour to oblige the Polligar to make it good which makes me desire you'll give strict orders to the Polligar there to be answerable or satisfie y[t] poor Man for what is lost as above which will not be only a charitable action but will gain you a good Name.

What can I say more?

No. 158.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED 1ST & REC'D THE 4TH: OF MAY 1754.

I take the Liberty to inform you that on the 30th of the last Month Mahauphooz Cawn with the English Troops remov'd from this Place & enter'd into his Pashcana with Joy and Pleasure. I am in Hopes that by the Blessing of God he will soon march to Tretchenopoly by the Way of Davecotah to join the Nabob in order to use his Endeavours to Extirpate the Enemy. By & by I shall write to you fully concerning the stage which may be settled. For some certain Matters I refer you to the verbal Acco^{t} of Antazey Punt.

What can I say more?

No. 159.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 23 OF APRILL & REC'D THE 6TH OF MAY 1754.

I had the Pleasure to hear by Antazey Punt's Letter of the Favours which you reserve for me and am thankfull to you for the same. I take this as a mark of his Divine Majestys Grace for you are sincerely attach'd to my Interest and reserve a great Affection and Kindness for me. May God grant you a long life attended with the same Civility and Favour. By the Blessing of God the Preservation of my Life and Credit and the Dispatch of all Affairs of the Circar from the Beginning to this Day was owing to your Favour & Assistance. I have great Hopes also in you for the Future. Your Favours shall be retain'd in my memory as long as I live. It is my sincere wish that the Disturbance of the Enemy may soon be quelled that I may have an Opportunity of enjoying the Pleasure of seeing you and to give you an instance of Friendship in my Heart. I have wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn to send you an Elephant and Horses together with the Necessaries of the Musick Noubet and Nagarmen. As there is no Distinction between us, I have sent a Saned in your Name for Pag^{s} 1300, by Way of Jaqueer to support the Expence of the Noubet which will come to your Hands. You may tell Antoozey Punt what Village you like either in Terpasore or Madamangalam Country and then he will write to Abdull Bob Cawn and settle it. I must desire you'll constantly play upon the said Musick and let me know the same that it may give me Joy. Your Honour may observe that it is my earnest Desire that you should use the said Musick. I am convinc'd that the Blessing of God attends us, part of which I take the Liberty to inform you that on Friday the 19th of Aprill at 12 O'clock the Powder Magazine of the Enemy in Serangam took Fire on a sudden which destroyed a great Number of the French, Seapoys, Horsemen, Peons and Horses and consum'd them to Ashes. By this sudden Accident the Enemy was greatly perplex'd and almost lost his Senses to that Degree that it render'd him unable to move from Serangam Pagoda. If any thing occurs hereafter, I shall write it to you. Antazey Punt will give you full account of Matters. Continue to write to me of your Health to my entire Satisfaction.

What can I say more?

In Aneverdy Cawns own Hand.

It is impossible for me to express further by Pen or Tongue the Favours you have shew'd me. I have heard many Particulars by People of old Age but could hear of very few who are endow'd with the like Understanding, faith, Fidelity & good Disposition to preserve their Friends like you. May God Enable you better. I shall lie under an Obligation to you for your Favours for Life

No. 160.

To Mootas Ally Cawn dated the 9th May 1754.

Tis sometime since I have heard from you. Abdull Bob Cawn writes me he has concluded Affairs with you in behalf of the Nabob, that he has granted to you certain Indulgences and you have agreed to enter into a Friendship with Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn and support him in his Government of the Carnatick. I desire you will write me the particulars of this Affair that I may the better judge how to be of Service to you. Let me hear of your Health constantly.

No. 161.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated the 7th May 1754.

Abdull Bob Cawn has advised me you had enter'd into your Peshcana to march to Tretchenopoly. This gives me Joy as I look upon it as a happy Omen of the Nabobs future Success. May the Blessing of God attend you, write me constantly of your Health that I may be easy.

No. 162.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated May the 7th 1754.

I have rec'd your Letters & observe the Contents. I suppose you have advis'd the Nabob of your Transactions with Mootas Alli Cawn. Whatever is agreable to him will give me Joy, & therefore it is with Pleasure I observe Mahauphooz Cawn is on his March and that you are determined nothing shall excuse any further Delay. I observe what you write concerning Baker Hussain Cawn, it shall be my Endeavours that he be easy. As the Enemy may probably attempt troubling the Country in Mahauphooz Cawns Departure the most likely measure for to prevent it is for your keeping in motion between Chengalaput & Arcot and not to continue in one Place.

No. 163.

From the Widow of the Killedar of Poonemelly.

My deceased Husband when living assigned the Management of all Affairs of the Fort & Jaqueer to his Brother Causem Cawn and delivered us to his Care. I hope therefore that you'll be favourable to him in the same Manner as you was to my Husband which I shall esteem as a very great Favour shewn me, this will gain you a good Name, long Life and Happiness attend you.

No. 164.

From Sanawasa Chery Renter of Terpetty rec'd the 9th of May. 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that after I took my Leave of you, I proceeded on my Journey and arriv'd in Terpetty which gave a general Joy to the People here. It is my prayer to God that your Riches may increase. It shall be my Endeavours to settle the Affairs of Terpetty Country and to send you an Account of the Occurrences in due Time. As my Vackeel Ramaraw is with you I hope you'll bestow your Favours in every Respect. As you made firm Promises to me in your Presence to make myself easy I depended upon them, and got the Savacars to give their Notes to you. I am now busy about giving Satisfaction to them. Your Honour is endowed with Justice in every Respect, it is therefore needless for me to urge much to you.

What can I say more ?

No. 165.

The Form of a Letter from Mahauphooz Cawn rec'd the 14th May 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter & observe the contents. Agreable to your Direction I set out from Arcot on the 30th ultimo and entered into the Tent but I have no Money to pay the Army which is the Reason of Delay in my March. I must inform you that I have 1300 Horse & 600 Seapoys & Wallpeice Bearers of my own with me, the Wages of these Men would amount to Rups 52000 pr Month, a certain Sum was due to them from the 27 of Decbr to the 9th of May, part of which was paid thro' the Means of Abdull Bob Cawns Mutteseddees but the Ballance due to them is Rups 100,000. Abdull Bob Cawn on his part is largely indebted to his Troops in 6 or 7 Moth Pay, which disabled him to order a proper number of Troops of his own to accompany me. I have disputed with him very much on this Head. At length he said that he would send 500 Horse and the same Number of Seapoys to go along with me. The Wages of these Men amounts to upwards of 100,000 Rupees. The Troops with me & with Abdull Bob Cawn hearing of my March to Terchenepelly with a small Army demanded the Paymt of their Wages in full to this Day & they also demanded an advance for 40 or 30 Days & said that there was no Probability of getting their Pay in Terchenepelly. I shall therefore want 3 Lacks of Rupees to satisfye these Men which is impossible for me to get. This makes me enter into a Method so as to conceal my Design of Terchenepelly and to give out that as if I am resolv'd to march to Valore & Satagada, thereby to quit the direct Road to Terchenepelly and to take my March by the Way of Valore, Satagada, Chengam, Ternamel and Tagada in order that I might proceed from thence to Devicot by the continual long stages, in so doing it may be in my Power to get some Money from the Killedars, this will confound the Enemy you wrote the same to me before. If I follow this method the Army may be prevailed on to agree to what little I pay them and to accompany me. This Journey will be 15, or 16 Days march but in so doing the Affairs will meet with Success in a better manner. If you like this and think it proper please to write to Mr Piccard to act as I say and to bear me Company. Send an Answer to me with all possible Speed that I may march forward, otherwise you may believe me to be ready to accompany those who may be willing to go along with me. I shall march on whatever Road you may be pleas'd to appoint in Company with Mr Piccard. As for my Person I wont make any Excuse, the above is the situation of Affairs. Write to me what Advice you may think of that I may act accordingly.

No. 166.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated the 14th May 1754.

I must inform you I have received Letters from Camp which advise that the King of Tanjore will join the Nabob immediately on Mahauphooz Cawns Arrival. As the Nabobs Happiness is at Stake what need I urge more, you are wise, dispatch this Affair with the greatest Expedition that the Nabob may be happy and you with his Friends rejoice. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 167.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated May the 14th 1754.

Ensign Piccard has sent me your Letter. I greatly approve the Resolution you have taken of marching & have order'd him to accompany you. I must inform you that Letters from Camp mention that the King of Tanjore only waits your Arrival when he will join the Nabob, by this you'll perceive how much the Happiness of the Nabob depends on your speedy March. I am satisfied you will not delay an Hour. Happiness attend you, let me hear constantly of your Health.

What can I say more.

No. 168.

To Nabob Anneverde Cawn dated May the 19th 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter with the Phirmand for the Towns for the Expence of the Noubet. I look upon this as a particular mark of your Friendship, it will always remain as a Mark of your good Name in the Settlement of Madrass. By the Accots we have here I don't imagine either Salabad Sing or Balazerow will come this Season from the Norward. We hear Nabob Japhir Alle Cawn has brought the Morattoes into those Provinces which will occasion misery to the People. They have already plunder'd & burnt Vizanagaram & Bimlipatam. We are in Expectation of Men from Bombay, a Ship is arriv'd from Europe which brings good News. I have wrote repeated Letters to Abdull Bob Cawn and Mauphis Cawn they answer me one Day they will march the next they raise Difficultys. As my Friendship to you is perfect I cannot but greatly disapprove their Conduct. I shall still use my Endeavours but if they do not regard your Happiness what Attention will they pay to my Advice, tis necessary you should write them as the King of Tanjore says he waits their Arrival. Let me have the Pleasure of hearing of your Health.

No. 169.

To the King of Tanjore, dated May the 19th 1754.

Tis some time since I have heard from you. Mr Palk tells me you have receiv'd my Letter so that I hope soon to have the Pleasure of hearing of your Health. I must inform you that I am endeavouring to get Mahauphooz Cawn to march, you know that these People are endeavouring to make Excuses. As my Friendship to you and the Nabob is sincere nothing shall be wanting in me. I must inform you we have a ship arriv'd from Europe she has landed some Soldiers. We expect many more as well as those from Bombay, therefore let us come to a Resolution how to act. Mr Palk will inform you fully of these affairs. As there is no Difference between us let us unite in our Measures when by the Blessing of God we shall meet with success. As to hear of your Health gives me a great Pleasure, I desire you will let me enjoy it often.

No. 170.

To Abdull Bob Cawn, dated May 23d 1754.

Antajee Punt informs me that the Officer at Arcot has taken some Grain. I would not willingly think he has because I have given him Orders to the Contrary. I have now wrote him. I suppose you have heard of the Victory the Nabobs Troops have gain'd over the Enemy in which they lost a considerable Number of Men besides many wounded. We have a Ship arriv'd from Europe & many more coming also one from Bombay who has landed near 200 Men and Officers at Fort St David, and we expect more. I have order'd these Men to Davecota. So many lucky Circumstances render this a very proper Time to attack the Enemy and when I tell you the King of Tanjore only waits for you I am sure you will not lose a Moment. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 171.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated May the 23d 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter & observe the Contents. You certainly must have been misinform'd in regard to the Officer at Chengalaput for tis a long Time since I wrote him and he has told me that he took no Grain. I have again however given fresh Directions in regard to this and the Killedar. I have advice from Europe that a large Reinforcement of soldiers are coming on the several ships, near 200 are landed at Fort St David from Bombay and more expected. I have order'd them to Davecota this gives the Nabob a fair Opportunity of defeating the Enemy. The King of Tanjore says he will join on your arrival. I hope therefore you will lose no Time Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 172.

To the King of Tanjore dated 23 May 1754.

I wrote you lately, since which is arriv'd from Europe a Ship which brings the agreable News that eleven other ships are coming with soldiers on board. A ship is also arrived from Bombay from which near 200 Men and Officers are landed at S^{t} David. I expect more from thence. These Men I have order'd to Davicota. If you will now join I see not the least Doubt but the Enemy will be punish'd and meet with Shame. I write this that no Time may be lost, let me hear of your Health that I may rejoice.

No. 173.

To Nabob Annaverde Cawn dated May the 23^{D} 1754.

I wrote you lately the Material. I must now inform you that near 200 Men are landed at Fort S^{t} David from Bombay and we shortly expect more. These I have order'd to Davecota. The King of Tanjore only waits the Arrival of Mahauphooz Cawn to join you. I have wrote repeated Letters and am asham'd to see him and Abdull Bob Cawn act so indiscreetly, they will ruin your affairs if they will not shew their Affection to you as Brothers. Give your Orders to them. As your Ammuldars they collect large sums of Money which they spend to gratifie their Pleasures. Antajee Punt is well acquainted with this. My Friendship to you obliges me to tell you what I think is for your Happiness which you know is equally regarded as my own.

No. 174.

From Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn's Kinsman in Palam Cotah dated the 16TH of Aprill and rec'd the 16TH of May 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that Sanawasaraw has acquainted me by a Letter that you are favourably inclin'd towards me and that you gave the necessary Assistance. Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn has wrote to me agreable to your Letter to him that you are inclin'd to assist me and to take Care of the Fort of Pallem Cotah and our Family also, to preserve our Credit to place a Guard and to retake Chilambrem and to assist us in every Respect. I must acknowledge that you have already acted agreable to the said Inclination. May God increase the Days of your Life Happiness & Dignity and grant you a Victory. I must tell you that wherever you send your Troops they meet with Success. When the Enemy first besieg'd Pallem Cotah and attack'd the People there with Guns & Mortors they rec'd intelligence that you was resolv'd to yield your Assistance to us and that you sent your Troops under the Command of M^{r} P. who bore a great Name and set out from Devicot on the 4th Decb^{r} 1753, upon which they were depriv'd of their senses so as to make their Retreat on the 5th or before the Arrival of the said officer. By the Bravery of the Companys Troops, Manar Gody was taken on the 15th. At that Time the Corn in that District was not ripe. I was entertain'd with Hopes of getting the Rents in due season and have therefore kept the Companys Troops in pay of their Betta for the space of two Months & paid the Cost of their Ammunition as well as other stores. To enable myself to do this I was oblig'd to borrow. I must inform you that just of the Time of the Crops the said Officer return'd on a sudden to Devicot with the Troops under his Command on the 27th of Jan^{ry}. This was owing to the unhappy Situation or Change of Affairs in this World. What induced the Officer to do so God only knows. Ever since his return to Devicot I have been very uneasy. The Enemy found Means to go to Manar Gody a second Time and take it. At my Request you was pleas'd to send an Order a second Time, in Obedience to which the Company's Troops from Devicot arriv'd with me on the 9th Feb^{ry} to take Possession of the said Manargody and beseig'd it with that Intent and continued the Siege till the 16th but when it was near being surrendered the Affair took a different Turn, for all our Endeavours prov'd ineffectual. I suppose you have heard a full Acco^{t} of the same. I impute it to the

unhappy Conduct of this World. The whole Affairs here were turn'd upside down, and we lost the Product of Manargody for above 100 thousand Rupees which the Enemy has possess'd within these two Months. The third Time the Company's Troops from Devicot march'd agreable to your orders on the 31st of March and lay in the Plains of Chelembrem for 3 Days but on the 3d of Aprill they return'd to Devicot. They did not come as far as Manargody nor did they assist us in retaking the said Place. I with Hopes of taking the said Place borrow'd a certain sum of Money from the Savacars at Interest to defray the Expences of the Peons and to pay the Betta to the People who came to assist me & I am fully convinc'd that I can not get clear of it myself from the Hands of the said Peons & Creditors and of the molestations of the Enemy without your favourable Assistance. I hope therefore that you'll write to the Chief of Divicot to yeild his assistance to retake Manargody in order that I may by your Favour clear myself from this Distress & Trouble. The success of my Affairs depends entirely upon you, what little I may get shall be laid out in stores for the use of the Fort as Provisions are highly necessary to be procur'd. It is usual to defray the Expences of the Peons and to supply the Fort here with Provisions out of the Produce of Manargody, at present my whole Dependance is upon you. I am in hopes that you'll continue your Favour to me to the very last, please to protect me on a firm Footing. I cant save my Life, Credit and Town without your Assistance. I am in great Distress if you don't be favourable to [me] I must suffer very much. In regard to my affairs Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn is very easy on accot of your Favours to me, he has wrote me more than once that I should look upon your Honour here as his Representative and to apply to you upon any Affair. I am therefore clear of Apprehensions as I have your Honour for my Helper and Protector, you should by all Means relieve me as soon as possible. I suppose you have heard by other Hands of the Enemys wicked Intention to fight. I have advice that they have enter'd into a Resolution to come this way which induc'd me to write at large to you. As you are Ingenious and Protector of Friends I need not urge much to you. For other Matters I refer you to the Verbal Accott of my Vackeel. Bestow your Favours on me. I lately sent you 2 Letters in Bags what were seiz'd by the Robbers in the Road, this is the third Letter and I thought fit to acquaint you with these Particulars.

A Second Paper enclos'd

Sarmast Cawn whom I can trust is come to me from Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn, he is now coming to you as my Vackeel, this Man will inform you of the Behaviour of Mr P. who receiv'd some Money more than what was order'd by the Company besides which he has seiz'd 1400 Cows in the Village of PalamCottah & Manargody and carry'd them away together with 4 Horses of my own out of the Fort. The Vackeel will give you a full accot of this matter. I have deliver'd the accot to the said Vackeel. Please to order your People to write to Mr P. to receive according to the Companys Accot & return me what he has taken over and above the said accts together with the Cows &ca as also the Horses. You may look upon this Fort as your own. I make no Distinction [between] you & Nabob Abdull Mazead Cawn. I esteem you as my Protector and Benefactor. I wait in Hopes of your Favour.

No. 175.

From Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn rec'd the 23 May 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that the Villages belonging to Madamangalam, as also the Villages belonging to Chendersain, Gulam, Mohayedeen &ca Jaqueers have been assign'd lately for the payment of the Expence of the Circar Troops in the Name of Mahomed Nooredeen, but the Hatmen under the Command of the Captain in Chengalpet Fort began to injure the Inhabitants thereof under Pretence of Pady and hinder them from gathering the Crops in due season which they take into their own Possession. I hope therefore that you'll soon send an Order to them to cease this Molestation and not to venture to go near them in future.

What can I say more ?

No. 176.

FROM BACTAVER SING JAMADAR OF TERNAMEL REC'D 22D MAY 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that I have hitherto stay'd in Ternamel according to an Order and gave the Proofs of my sincere Zeal and Duty as requir'd. Nabob Mahomedally Cawn has order'd me by a Letter to join Mahaphooz Cawn and come to his Assistance in company with him, it is now twenty Days since I arriv'd with Mahaphooz Cawn. I must acquaint you that Murgasa hoy Amuldar of Ternamel settled Matters with the Governour of Pondicherry to whom he writes Letters. All the Circars Jamadars have joined the said Amuldar. By the Circumstances of the Affairs of the Fort it seems the Fort will be deliver'd to the Enemy. The Regard and Duty which I owe to my Master induc'd me to write this to you to clear myself from the Blame they may perhaps lay on me.

What can I say more?

No. 177.

FROM THE KING OF TANJORE REC'D THE 25TH OF MAY 1754.

The Braminys at Devicot enjoy'd their Maniams *alias* free Gifts of several pieces of Ground from a long Time but since the villages of Devicot fell into the Possession of your Honour [they have been prevented from enjoying them. In my letter to you before] mention has been made of the said Braminys. At that time you was pleas'd to write me that you was willing to give the Maniams to such as [I] might write to you of, upon which I sent you a List of the Braminies and the several Pieces of Ground together with a Letter under my Seal. You was thereupon pleas'd to let them enjoy the same accordingly. But I have now receiv'd Advice that one Nagaboshan Braminy told your People that the List &c[a] sent by me as above was false & that the Chief of Devicot confin'd him and the other Braminys till he could enquire into the Truth or Falsity of it. I must tell you that the Papers I sent are not false but on the Contrary they were really sent by me. I hope therefore that you'll let the Braminys as mention'd in the List enjoy their Maniams. The said Nagaboshan is a Lyer and an Impudent Follow he play'd the like Tricks here before. I then intended to imprison him, but he found Means to make his Escape. As the Chief at Divicot has now imprison'd him I must desire you'll write him to send that Prisoner to me, if not to keep him confin'd. Dont let him be releas'd. As there is no Distinction between us I thought proper to write it to you. For other matter I refer you to the verbal Acco[t] of Ramaraw. Write to me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 178.

FROM NABOB ABDULL MAZEAD CAWN OF CADAPA REC'D THE 30TH MAY 1754.

Some time ago I requested you by Writing concerning the Assistance to be given in the Affairs of the Fort of Pallem Cota and to use your Endeavours in such Manner that the wicked Enemy may meet with his Deserts by great sufferings and that the Districts of Chelembrem may be restor'd and the Disturbance of the Enemy quell'd, to the End that the People there may continue with true firmness and make themselves perfectly easy freeing themselves from all Manner of Apprehensions, in which Case, the Friendship between us will be cemented and encrease daily.

I beseig'd the Fort of Wopalpad for some Time, at length by the blessing of God my victorious Troops conquer'd the said Fort, the wicked Enemys who were in it begg'd Mercy and then made their Escape. At present there are certain Palligars near me who grow very insolent. I am resolv'd to subdue them. As soon as I have settled the Affairs in these Parts, I shall march to those Parts which will be in a short Time. I hope you'll be so good & friendly as to use your Endeavours in the above Affair without Delay. May Happiness always attend you.

No. 179.

FROM WASHDAVA PUNT DATED THE 29TH OF MARCH & REC'D THE 31ST OF MAY 1754.

Salabet Jungs Army lies encamp'd at Nermala to this Day, his resolution is to march to Wagera Sangam by the Banks of Gangey River. In Letters sent lately to you I mention'd that Salabet Jung from Wasama marched against Nagapore belonging to Ragozey Bosala. I suppose you have read those Letters. I must now inform you that when Salabet Jung arriv'd at Ponnar on this side of Nagapore, Ragozey Bosala's son with the whole of his Army retir'd to Golconda Country with all possible Speed. This he did because he thought the Army with him was too small. There is a great Discord & Deceipt in Salabet Jungs Camp at present. Hanamentaraw Marata Sardar son to Sultanzey Nimbalcar is a Man of Distinction besides which he is a Relation to Ragozey by Marriage and has an Army of 7 or 8 thousand Horse. This Sardar undertook to negotiate a Peace upon which the Affair was finished thro' the Means of Shanavaz Cawn & Sultan Cawn the particulars of which I procur'd by the Durbar Mutteseddees in the Persian Language. There was a Phirmand sent from Delley in the name of Salabet Jung a copy of which I also procur'd which two Papers [are] inclosed for your Perusal. At length the army return'd from Pounnar & lay encamp'd at present within 10 or 15 Coasses Distance .from Nermala. Soriarow Raja of the said Nermala accompany'd Salabet Jung in his Expeditions and stay'd with him, but it so happen'd that Salabat Jang was displeas'd with him and made him a Prisoner, the whole of his Riches was seiz'd for the Use of the Government and a Body of Troops was detach'd agt his Country. Several false Stories were told agt him to Salabet Jung from a long Time but the Affliction attend him at prest. What may be the Event I cant tell. Moñs Bosey disputes with Salabet Jung and says that they must take their Quarters for the present year in Golaconda and that after the Monsoon go to Arcot to the satisfaction of his Master and to subdue Mahomedally Cawn and settle that Country. Salabet Jung did not agree to it. On this Moñs Bosey was displeas'd. In order to appease him Salabet Jung went and talk'd to him in his Tent and return'd. Now he does not regard him as before. It is talked here that as soon as Salabet Jung arrives at Wasara Sangam he will give Leave to Monsr Bosey to go and take his Quarters in Golconda. If any thing passes at that Place I shall write to you of it. Salabet Jung is inclin'd either to take his Quarters in Golconda or in Aurangabad, this will be determin'd at Godatearem. As soon as Moñs Bosey departs the Camp I shall let you know. News was brought here that Balazeraw from Savanore and Bankapore threatned the Mayasorians with an attack and rec'd of them 16 Lakhs of Rupees and then took his Rout to Bedanore Country and plunder'd a Village of Harakasa belonging to that Country. News was brot from Delly that Gazedey Cawns Son march'd to the Jats Country with an Army of 30 thousand Men commanded by Malarzey Balcar Sardar of the Maraters and besieg'd a Fort there and in which Siege Balcars son was shot as he was upon his Mourcha and when his Corps was burnt his Wife sacrific'd her Life with it. When Salabet Jungs Army lay at Nagapore Ragozey employ'd some of his Horses to rob and pillage in the Road besides which the Field there was cover'd with Tygers which put a stop to the passing and repassing which was the Reason that no Letter has been sent from a Month, I hope to be excus'd. Rice and wheat Flower sells in the Camp (*a*) 15 seers ℔ Rupee, Horse Gram at 8 or 10 seers and the Guhee at 1½ seers ℔ Rupee, the Copper Saccas sell at 14 or 15 ℔ Rupee, the Army is in great Want. Monsr Bosey troubles the Savacars in the Army to the highest Pitch. He borrow'd very near two Lacks of Rupees from Bukenzeys Shop in the Army, notwithstanding he presses them continually to lend him another Sum of 25 thousand Rupees, he uses the like Compulsion in the Shop of Goverdendoss which made the Savacars disagree. Monsr Bosey sent a Detachment to the Northwd to take Possession of Chcacacole & Razamandrem. It is talked here that these went and lay encamped at Valore and that the Zemeadars there are fighting Viziaramraz and that they will not suffer the French Troops to do their Business. It is talk'd also that Ragozeys Son march'd to the said Country with 20, or 25 thousand men and plundered it.

A Copy of the Mogulls Phirmand to Salabet Jung inclosed in Washdava Punts Letter.

I out of my royal Favour and grace having your Happiness (who is worthy of my Grants & Kindness) in View exalt you by conferring the Subahship of the Decan Country on you in the same Manner as it has been given to Auseph Jah *alias* Nauser Jung. You may therefore return your Thanks for this immense Favour shewn you and then exert yourself to the utmost in settling or regulating the Country and in punishing or subduing the Rebels and Disturbers. You'll yeild your assistance to the Naibs in several Subahs and use them and other Mutteseddees in an amicable Manner as well as the Inhabitants. Put a stop to the forbidden Articles and extirpate the heritacle practice and the Enemys and manage affairs Agreable to the illustrious Laws of our Religion and the Constitution of the royal statute to the End that the Rich may not injure the Power [Poor] nor any other Person be mischievous to those in low Circumstances. Do you collect the Peishcash Money of the Zemeadars according to the usual Custom. Observe this as a strict Orders to you from my Royal Court concerning the several Articles mention'd.

Proposals of a Treaty by Salabet Jung to Ragozey Bosala and his answers to them are as follows.

Salabet Jung proposes that Ragozey should receive a Quantity of straw and Gram in the Subah of Barad as was usual in the year of Phaseley 1157 which was the Time of Sydoo Sheriff Cawn deceas'd, he should not insist on it to be deliver'd all at once but on the Contrary that they might receive them according as they may be gather'd in by the Circar and agreable to the Advice of the Amuldar.

Ragozey answers that he shall receive the above in two several Times according as they had been allow'd in the Time of Sydoo Sherif Cawn.

Salabet Jung demands that a Jaqueer to the Amount of 5 Lacks of Rupees had been allow'd to Samazey Bosala out of the Subah of Barad on condition he serves him in the Army but as he did not perform it the Jaqueer should be returned.

Ragozey answers that he shall not stop the said Jaqueer so that he might possess the same.

Salabet Jung demands also that several Districts belonging to the Jaqueer of Lechemenraw Gandacala which had been seiz'd to be restored as he is ready in his Service.

Ragozey answers that he shall not only restore all that Part of the Jaqueer under his seizure but will assign to him in possession the several Guards placed.

Salabet Jung desires not to send any Army to Goloconda.

Ragozey answers that he shall agree to it.

Salabet Jung desires also not to give Protection to Mahomed Mohayan Cawn Amuldar of Cheacacole &c^{a} who are to answer the Circars Accounts in Case of their arrival with Ragozey.

Ragozey answers that he shall not give Protection to them.

Salabet Jung is desirous that as Ragozey had deliver'd Balvem leaves & Turmerick stuff as a token of his Faith as usual he should incert an Oath upon the Deity call'd Vankatash, Sadasheva, Sery Grue, Salagram, & Tulsee leaves with a Promise not to fail in his Agreement.

Ragozey answers that he will swear upon the Deity, Vankatash, Sadasheva, Sery Grue, Davon, Salagram, and Tulsee not to fail on his part.

Salabet Jung demands a forfeit of 5 Lacks of Rupees to be given in ready Specia.

No. 180.

To Mahaupheoz Cawn dated June the 1st 1754.

I have long been in Expectation and it gives me great Uneasiness that I do not yet hear of your being march'd. What a melancholly Reflection it is that the Nabobs affairs should be ruin'd by your Delay. Relying on your Letters I have promised the

King of Tanjore you would loose no Time and he is ready on your Arrival. What Answer can I now give him? Tis three Months since I sent a Detachment to act with you, if you do not go of what signification is it for these Men to lie idle at the Nabobs Expence? Let me know your Resolution that I may act in a Manner suitable to the Nabob's Interest. The same to Abdull Bob Cawn.

No. 181.

To Abdul Bob Cawn dated June the 2d 1754.

I wrote you Yesterday I suppose by this Time Mahauphooz Cawn is march'd. I must inform you that the Enemy have besieg'd Utremaloor that they have attack'd Trivatore and that they are plundering the Country. If you do not cover it with your Troops it will be ruin'd. You are wise, what need I urge more.

No. 182.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated June the 5th 1754.

I must inform you that we have a large Reinforcement from Bombay & Europe arriv'd. This gives me great Joy as I shall be able thereby to promote the Nabobs Happiness. If you will march to Conjeeveram I will join this Force to yours which will put it out of the Power of the Enemy to molest you. I will also on your arrival at Davecota order the payment of 1 Lack of Rupees on the Soucars at St David on Condition Abdull Bob Cawn will give me Orders on the Amuldars for that Sum. I suppose you will not hesitate a Minute. Write me of your Health.

The same to Abdull Bob Cawn.

No. 183.

To Avaliah Saib June the 6th 1754.

I rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents. You desir'd my Permission to live in the Village of Ponemelly with your Family. As that Village is under the Direction of the Killedar, your Man tells me he apply'd to him and obtain'd his Permission. If it is true, you may go and live in the said Village and make yourself easy.

What can I say more?

No. 184.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 6th & rec'd the 10th June 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Agreable Letter and to observe the Contents. In regard to the Friendship between us you was pleas'd to mention concerning the Delay in my March to Terchenepelly. Some time ago I wrote to you several Letters with a full account of Matters which I suppose made you sensible of the Matter. It was agreed that my Brother Abdull Bob Cawn should order 500 of his Horse and the same Number of Seapoys to go along with me and to supply me with one Lack and a few thousand Rupees from Nellore & Valore on Account of the Expence of the Seapoys. On my Part I was to collect some things from the Killedars and to defray the Expences of the March out of the Valore and Nellore Money. The Seapoys on hearing of my Intention to march to Terchenepelly demanded the payment of their Wages to this Day and moreover an Advance of 40 days. It was therefore resolv'd to conceal the said Intention to them and to carry them under some feign'd Pretence by the Way of Satagad, Chengam, Ternamel, & Tagad of which I inform'd

you very fully. Thus I took my Leave of you and marched with the above Intention as far as Parangad Ten Coasses distance from the City but in the Interim there arriv'd Letters from Abdull Bob Cawn and Mahomed Ameandean Cawn advising me that the Enemys Troops were spread towards Tervatore &c[a] and took Possession of Wootermellore and telling me at the same Time that if I faild to assist in the affairs of Tervatore it would be a difficult Matter for them to live in this Country, they therefore desir'd me to punish & expell them at first & then continue on my March to Terchenepelly. This put me under a Necessity of returning to Cavala with a resolution to march to Tervatore. I have sent the above Letters for your Perusal. Is there any Neglect on my side in regard to the March to Terchenepelly ? I appeal this to your Judgement. Abdull Bob Cawn used his utmost Endeavours to raise the Money for the Expences of the Seapoys but he could not do it to this Day. My Circumstances are well known to you. I have neither Country nor Money in my Possession. The Money is not yet sent me to pay Abdull Bob Cawns Troops. M[r] Picard your Honours Sardar is well acquainted with this affair I suppose he has wrote to you the Occurrances. I am in great Hast to go to Terchenepelly of which God only knows since you are so kind and anxious about our Affairs how much more so must We be and hasten in it as we have our Familys in the said Place. I alone am ready with my Companions both [but] for Want of Money to bear the Expence I was detain'd. By the Blessing of God, as soon as the Enemys Troops as above are punish'd and Abdull Bob Cawn sends the Money for the Expence I shall march to Terchenepelly either by the Way of Ternamel or Fort S[t] Davids. I am entirely bent upon this Resolution. Make yourself perfectly easy.

What can I say more ?

No. 185.

FROM THE KING OF TANJORE REC'D THE 13[TH] OF JUNE 1754.

I rec'd your two Letters & observe the Contents you was pleas'd to say that you wrote me fully of Affairs and that you then sent Padre Palk who would inform me further, desiring me at the same Time to regard him as yourself & shew Favours to him, you say also that a Ship was arriv'd from Europe and landed some Soldiers and that you expect more besides the Troops from Bombay, that a resolution must be taken to transact Affairs and that we both should be united in the same Counsel, then by the Blessing of God you hop'd to gain a Victory. Padre Palk on his part gave me a full Account of your sincere regard and Friendship to me as also of your firm Resolution to defeat and destroy the Enemy. This gave me great Joy. I must tell you that I depended upon your Friendship & Strength & undertook this Affair, as I have your Strength to support me in every Respect I need not be under any Manner of apprehensions. The Enemys thought that if they suffered the Provisions to be convey'd from Choulamandalam *alias* my Country any longer to the Fort of Terchenapelly it would be impossible for them to conquer that Fort even in twelve years Time, they therefore resolv'd to act ag[t] my Country at first and to plunder the same and then to take Possession of Covilody &c[a] Forts and in Order to effect it, the whole of Morarey, Nanzeraz and the french Troops with Artillery march'd & attack'd my Guard at Kealcota which they have taken, afterwards they went and attack'd Covilody Fort and on their taking it their Intention was to go ag[t] the Fort of Tarcatpelly with all possible Speed which induc'd me to detach my Army under the Command of Gadaraw to Tarcatpelly expecting that the Nabob & the Major would join and that my Army would be then enabled to move from Tarcatpelly and defeat the Enemy but it so happened that the Enemy sent a Detachment of their Troops to Tondamans Country in order to plunder it and put a stop to the Provisions from thence and to take his Town, to prevent which and to assist Tondaman the Nabob and the Major march'd to Tondaman at the Head of their Army & in that Interval the Enemy found Means to take Covilody and to proceed towards Tarcatpelly with an Army consisting of 7 or 8 thousand Horse and 10 or 12 thousand Seapoys together with the French Troops and Artillery. There was no European Force in my Army, notwithstanding my People fought the Enemy very bravely and kill'd or

wounded a great many of them, two or three of Morareys Sardars together with his Horse were wounded, he would have been taken Prisoner if he had not made his Escape in Time. As they had a large Army and the French Artillery to help them my Army was oblig'd to retreat, some of the Horses were seiz'd by the Enemy, several of my Men were kill'd or wounded. The Sardars of my Army were slightly wounded and return'd to the Fort with the Army. The Nabob and the Major heared of this in Tondamans Country and from thence they march'd & arriv'd in this Fort on the 28th of May. We visited each other, the Nabob resides within the Fort. As soon as the Enemys heard of the Nabobs Arrival in my Fort they destroy'd the Banks of Anacat or (a Rivulet which supply'd the Tanjour Country with Water). One shou'd shew his Bravery by fighting but not by destroying the Banks of the said Anacat which stands for general Good. Tis indeed a very bad Action. Even the Jentue Queen in her reign at Terchenepelly did not chuse to do the like action. If the said Rivulet is safe and full the Country will be fruitfull but they have destroy'd it as aforesaid, thus they began their Hostilities against me. You should therefore detach all the Soldiers you have & write to Mahaphooz Cawn and use your Endeavours in such Manner that the Army with him may arrive here as soon as possible. The Affairs here are near at Hand. I must therefore desire you'll send all the Men that were landed out of the Ships without Delay, you should from henceforth assist and dispatch my Affairs in every Respect and preserve this Province the Fort and the Country. We must carry a strong Army to the Anacat and get the Banks repair'd and we must likewise defend the Fort of Terchenepelly. The burthen of the whole affair is resting upon your Honour. I and the Nabob are of the same Opinion and are Partakers of each others good or bad Fortunes. You are my Supporter as well as the Nabob. We both are supported here by your Strength alone. Padre Palk has wrote to you very fully on this Head which will explain the Matters. I depend upon your Word and Promise & continue firm in the same Resolution. By all Means you should at this Juncture send a Reinforcement with all possible speed, this is a proper Time for fighting. As there is no Distinction between us I need not urge much to you on this Head.

No. 186.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 13th of June 1754.

I rec'd your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to intimate that Antazey Punt has inform'd you that the Officer at Arcot seiz'd the Produce but that you could not believe it because you had both before and at present forbad the said Officer to do any such thing, acquainting me at the same Time of the agreable News of the Victory and the great Slaughter made of the Enemys Troops, you was pleas'd to acquaint me also that a Ship was arriv'd from Europe as also another from Bombay at Fort St David and of your Expectation of other Ships, you acquainted me further that 200 Men with Officers were landed whom you have order'd to march to Devicot & you added that it was a proper Time to extirpate the Enemy and that the King of Tanjore waits for the Arrival of our Troops which I should detach. I must tell you that it was a great Pleasure to me to hear that you forbad the Officer as aforesaid. The Victory you mention was owing to Gods Mercy & your Favour. May the Almighty grant you Joy on that Account. In order to detach the Army I have supply'd Mahaphooz Cawn with Money according to the Nabobs Order and he thereupon began his March, but I must inform you that the Enemy has a larger Force and on Acct of the Freshes in Cavarey & Coladam they arriv'd on this Side. Your Honour is very sensible that there is but a small Detachmt of the English & Artillery with Mahaphooz Cawn & myself. You'll therefore think it necessary to send the new Recruits hither to join Mahaphoz Cawn that he may then proceed to Terchenopelly. He is at present arriv'd in Aureny which I thought necessary to inform you of. Whatever Forces you may determine to send to my Assistance let them be detach'd as soon as possible for the Enemy have extended their Hostilities towards Tervatore, Conjeveram, Wootermellore &ca Write to me constantly of your Health.

What can I say more?

No. 187.

FROM NABOB ANWERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 14TH AND REC'D THE 16TH OF JUNE 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your two Letters dated the 19th and 23 Ultimo. Your Honour was pleas'd to write to Mahomed Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn about their Assistance to me which I esteem as a Mark of your true Friendship and Favour to me. May God grant you a Long Life attended with the same Civility & Goodness. Agreable to your Direction I have already wrote them repeated Letters about what was necessary & shall continue the same. I was glad to hear of the Arrival of a Ship from England and 200 Soldiers from Bombay whom you detach'd to Devicot on acct of my Assistance. I observe the Marates Disturbance in Chcacacole & Razamander Country jointly with Japherally Cawn. It is my Prayers to God that he may grant whatever may be conducive to the General Happiness. The Enemys finding that Keanore &c belonging to Tondaman were clear of the People they on a sudden arriv'd at Podacata a Place of his Residence. On this I thought it necessary to assist him & on that Account I march'd from Terchenepelly jointly with the Major & arriv'd in Tondaman Country on the 23d Ulto. Tondaman came and waited upon me. At present he & the Marates are at War with each other, the French assisted the Maravers for which Reason Tondaman apply'd to me for Assistance, but in the Interim [the enemy] attack'd Covilody belonging to Tanjore & took it in two Days. The King of Tanjore detach'd his Army under the Command of Malarzey Gadaraw to the assistance of Covilody but it so happen'd that an Engagement ensued between Morareys Troops & Gadaraw. At length the Tanjore army was defeated & return'd to the Place which induc'd Pertapa Sing to write repeated Letters requesting us to come to him upon which I encourag'd Tondaman with a Promise to send him Assistance on my arrival at Tanjore in which Place we arriv'd on the 28th. The King came out to meet us within 2 Coasses and with great Regard & Respect entertain'd us in the Fort and gave me a Lodging in his own Palace and us'd me kindly and shew'd great Civility to me. He is in sincere Friendship & Union with me. The English Troops & Seapoys whom you detach'd before are arriv'd here from Devicot and join'd us. By the Blessing of God I shall soon take the Tanjore Army with me in order to use a Method to punish the Enemy. Tondaman is our Welwisher and a true Friend to us, he has always supply'd the Fort of Terchenepelly with Provisions. It is therefore highly necessary to assist him. If we order a small Detachment to join him his Affair will meet with Success which will induce him to join us with his Army. You may therefore write to the Sardar here what you shall think proper on this Head. It is a very proper Time to punish the Enemy, to which End & Purpose We want a large Detachment of the English Troops. I hope therefore that you'll be so kind as to reserve in your Place such a Number of Soldiers as may be sufficient to take care of it and to send away the Remainder that we may then be enabled to extirpate the Army [*sic*] with a sufficient Army. Your Favours & Kindness to me are innumerable which shall be remember'd during Life. It is true that Salabet Jung & Balazeraw cannot on any Acct. come to this Province. The former has no Strength of Men and Money but on the Contrary he is under the Compulsion of the French. Should he come to this Province (which God forbid) he shall not be able to abide in it. It is two Months since I receiv'd Letters from Balazeraw & Mahomed Assalam Cawn. As soon as I receive them I shall send you a full account! You may be assured of my Inclination & write to me always of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more ?

No. 188.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D THE 17TH JUNE 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that Hassen Cawn Killedar of Poonamelly had a Jaqueer in that Country and as he is now dead the Jaqueer should be seiz'd on. I shall act agreable to your Direction in this Respect.

What can I say more ?

No. 189.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED THE 15TH & REC'D THE 18 OF JUNE 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter. It is impossible for me to express the least Part of the Gratitude which We owe for the Favours you reserve for our House. May God grant you a Long Life. As soon as our victorious Army moved from Calova the Enemys Troops appear'd in sight but by the Blessing of God the Musselmen Troops were so brave as to drive them out of sight and to pursue them as far as 3 Coasses and they made a Prize of several of their Horses, many of the Enemy were wounded. They rec'd such a severe Blow from our Troops that they did not venture afterwards to appear before us. On Receipt of your Letter I intended to have march'd to Conjeveram but the Enemys Troops lay in Wandawashey as well as their Guard in the Fortress of Wootermellore. I have therefore concluded that if I march to Conjeveram before I retook y^t^ Fortress the Enemy would be fill'd with strange Conceptions so as to extend their Hostilities to the highest Pitch, to prevent which I thought it necessary to begin my March to Wootermellore. As our Troops were attended with heavenly Blessings & M^r^ Piccard with the Companys Seapoys exerted themselves bravely the Enemys were struck with Fear and not being able to maintain the Ground took Advantage of a Dark Night & fled, so that we conquer'd that Fortress in a Day in which the Circars Guard is now placed and our brave Warriors obtain'd the Victory. Tho the Enemy stay'd within the walls of that Fortress yet they lost a Frenchman and seven Seapoys who were kill'd or sent to the abyss of Hell. Many of them were wounded. Out of M^r^ Piccards Command a Gunner & a Serjeant of the Seapoys were killed, two Hatmen, four Seapoys, & five of the Wall piece Bearers of the Circar were wounded. M^r.^ Picard gave a Proof of his undaunted Valour which is impossible for me to express. It will be a great Pleasure for me to hear that he is rewarded for it. As the Wheels of the Gun Carriage was broke in this Action I was oblig'd to defer a Day to March. By the Blessing of God I shall move the next Day and arrive in the Plains of Conjeveram. God knows how hasty I am to march to Terchenepelly. For want of Money to bear the Expence of the Road I was detain'd but your Honour was now mov'd with Compassion out of Friendship so as to write to me to get me 1 Lack of Rupees from the Savacars of Fort S^t.^ David. Abdull Bob Cawn orders you the Paym^t.^ thereof on the Amuldars. I have therefore wrote repeated Letters to Abdull Bob Cawn desiring him to send an Order on the Amuldar of Nellore with all possible Speed. I hope he will act accordingly by sending the Order. There is an Arrear of 3 Months due to my Army. From some Time nothing has been paid them for which Reason they suffer great Hardships. If you'll be so good as to order the said Sum to be paid by the Savacars at Madras I shall satisfye them in some Measure & then will undertake my March there. If you can't get the whole Sum to be paid in your Place order half of it to be paid there and the other half in Fort S^t.^ David. If I don't pay the Army here they will make an Excuse for marching. Please to send a large Detachment of the Hatmen with 2 Mortors & a great Gun to batter the Walls that they may march jointly with me. Nothing hinders my March but the Want of Money for the Expence. I am very ready to go.

What can I say more?

No. 190.

FROM RAMAH NAICK DATED THE 20TH OF MAY AND REC'D THE 16TH JUNE 1754.

I sent you a letter on the 15^th^ of May giving you an Acco^t.^ of the Occurrences here by which I suppose you gained a full Knowledge of the Matter. I acquainted you by writing that when our People were carrying Provisions from Kearanore

(which was Yesterday) the Enemys Troops cross'd their Road & engaged each other, that the Major join'd our People at that juncture & fought bravely, but I must now inform you that the Major did not join them as aforesaid, on the contrary Nellore Subadar was detach'd from the Fort with 50 Soldiers and some Seapoys with a Gun to bring Provisions. These march'd 2 or 3 Miles to the Southward of the Fort & appear'd in the open Field and finding no Army before them continued on their march forward not discovering the Enemys Troops who set out the Night before last by the Way of the Mountains and lay in Ambush under several Ditches there. As soon as the Enemys discern'd our Troops in the open Field they came out and then there happen'd a small skirmish between them but in the Interim the Major detach'd a Body of 200 Soldiers and 300 Seapoys with 2 Guns under the command of Cap^{t}. K. On this a smart Engagement ensued between the Partys & the Enemys lost about 200 Men. A few Men on our side were kill'd. At that Time a french man on Horseback from the Enemys Camp being overcome with Liquor came into our Camp. Then they seiz'd his Horse and asked him the News. He inform'd them that there arriv'd 4 or 5 thousand Horse, 2000 Seapoys, & 500 Soldiers of the Enemy and that they had rather return to the Fort. On this our People march'd back without the Provisions which they could not then take with them by going to the Place they intended. On the other Day they sent Jamall Saib with 300 Seapoys and a Gun to Kearanore on account of the Provisions. On this, the Enemy detach'd 3000 Horse and 2000 Seapoys a second Time who arriv'd in Kearanore, some of the said Horses lay at the Enclosure of that Town and the others enter'd with in it thro' by Roads, but our People attack'd them bravely but as the Enemys Forces were superior in Number some of our People were wounded and a Gun was seiz'd by them. The Remnants retir'd to Podacota. The Enemys Troops are still in Kearanore and they began to set Tondamans Country on Fire from these 3, or 4 Days. They arriv'd in Kearanore on the 15th and as they began their Havocks immediately after their Arrival it is thought that they have ruin'd that Country entirely by this Time. If they find even two Huts in a Village they consume them. I see nothing but smoke and Flames of Fire everywhere from these 4 Days. Tondaman is under great Concern at present. He speaks continually to me that he trusted the Nabob and Major. Tondaman thought that the Major would have sent a Force to drive away the Enemy but he has not sent him any Assistance to this Day, he is therefore writing continual Letters to him. I am also writing to the Major and the [news] concerning the Occurrences here which were safely carried till the other Day but as their Troops were now in the Road it is difficult to send any Letter. As my People were Strangers to the Road I sent my Letters to Tondaman to be transmitted but he has return'd them to me on account of the Dangers in the Road at Present no Letter can be convey'd safe even to the Fort. The Army which had been sent to the southward lay quiet there, notwithstanding Tondaman is under an Apprehension whether they will plunder the country, if so, he says he must dispair of all Hopes of preserving his Country, this made him very sorrowful. In case of the above Accident it will be difficult to procure Provisions for the use of the Fort. I thought fit to acquaint you with this. Please to send your Directions for my future Proceedings.

P.S. I have advice that the Enemys Troops were in Kearanore till 12 O'Clock this Forenoon and sent different Bodys to enter into every District of Tondamans. Yesterday the Major acquainted us by Letters that he was resolv'd to send a Detachm^{t}. to drive away the Enemys Forces and that as their Troops lay in the Road he thought it advisable to enter Kearanore by the way of the Woods desiring us at the same Time to send some Guides of the Keller Cast to that end. Agreable to his Desire we gave the necessary Directions to the Guides concerning the Road and to lead our Troops round the Woods so as to appear against the Enemys Forces at Kearanore & dispatch'd them to him. As soon as our Force arrives there and drives away the Enemy I shall write to you. Padacota is a principal Town, Tondaman resides in it as well as myself there is neither stone or mud Wall, the Place is surrounded by the Woods & secured by Inclosures. Tondaman has no Guns but as the Enemys have Guns with them they force their Entrance by their Help so that he can't face them. The People are of Opinion that this Place cannot be defended.

No. 191.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN REC'D THE 18TH. JUNE 1754.

Abdull Cauder Cawn writes me that some Horse & Foot belonging to the wicked French have besieg'd the Fort of Palamcotah. Some time ago the Enemy took possession of the Fort of Chelembrem, at that time the Goers & Comers to Terchenepelly met with hardships. As they have now besieg'd the Fort of Palamcotah as above it will produce bad Effects of which you must be sensible. As no Assistance can be sent to the said Fort except that from Devicot please to write to the Chief there to yield his Assistance to that Fort. On my Part I sent an order to Vankata Chelapilla Amuldar of Werdachelam upon the same Business. I thought fit to acquaint you with it.

What can I say more?

No. 192.

TO ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED JUNE THE 18, 1754.

I have wrote you two Letters advising you that I had a large Detachmt. ready to join you. Though I am well assur'd you have rec'd them yet I have rec'd no Answer. I must desire that on Receipt of this you will immediately send me your final Resolution that I may concert affairs in such manner as to prevent the Nabob your Brother from being entirely ruin'd. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 193.

TO MAHAUPHOOZ CAWN DATED JUNE THE 18TH 1754.

I have wrote you two Letters advising you that I had a large Detachment ready to join you. Though I am well assur'd you have rec'd them yet I have rec'd no Answer. I must desire on Receipt of this you will immediately send me your final Resolution that I may concert affairs in such manner as to prevent the Nabob your Brother from being entirely ruin'd. Let me hear of your Health

No. 194.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D THE 19TH OF JUNE 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to say that Mahaphooz Cawn delay'd to march and that you sent a Detachment 3 months ago to join & act in conjunction with me and that if he can't go the Detachments stay here would be of no service, desiring me at the same Time to let you know my Resolution. God is my Witness that in the beginning my Resolution was to use the Method I could to join the Nabob but in the Interim Mahaphooz Cawn arriv' here. On this the Nabob wrote me to supply him by any means with 1 Lack of Rupees & send him to him. I then us'd my utmost Endeavours & supply'd him with about 2 Lacks of Rupees, notwithstanding he delay'd to march which induc'd me to resolve to go to the Nabob myself but as he has appointed me to command here I am dubious whether it will be proper to leave the Country clear of my People. I esteem you as my elder Brother or the Nabob. I therefore intend to pay a Visit to you in order to concert certain Measures in my Thoughts with you Face to Face in regard to the Government of the Country which cannot be properly communicated by an Intercourse of Letters. As soon as this is done I shall take my Leave of you to proceed on my March from thence to the Nabob. I have sent Ragonadaraw to you to inform you of some certain Particulars thro' the Means of Antazey Punt. I shall not be at rest either by Repose or Nourishment till I receive a satisfactory Answer to this Letter. You may therefore send it with all possible Speed that I may act accordingly.

What can I say more?

No. 195.

To Mootas Ally Cawn Phousdar of Veloor.

dated the 19th. June 1754.

On hearing from Abdull Bob Cawn he had enter'd into Agreement with you on behalf of the Nabob I wrote you several Letters desiring you would send me the Particulars of this Agreement as I had given you a Letter of Indulgence but I have as yet rec'd no Answer which I look upon as something particular. I therefore desire you will send me the Particulars of such Agreement that I may fulfill my Promise. Write me of your Health.

No. 196.

To Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 19th. of June 1754.

I have rec'd your Letters and agreable to your Desire shall order, 50,000 Rupees to be paid at Madras the other 50,000 at St. David. In regard to Palamcotah I have constantly assisted the Killedar having given orders to the chief of Devecotah to do the same. Our Troops are ready to march therefore desire you will not delay.

No. 197.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar

dated the 14th. & rec'd the 20th. June 1754.

On my Arrival at Tanjore I return'd an Answer to your Letter which contain'd a full account of Affairs, & I suppose it will make you sensible of the Matter. By the Blessing of God & your Assistance Pertapa Sing & Tondaman have join'd me willingly & with Sincerity. The former has order'd Manozey with an Army to act with me. It is highly necessary that a large Detachment of the English Troops should join us at this Juncture. You'll therefore be favourable and send all the Forces which may be landed by the Europe ships with all possible Speed. By the Circumstance of Affairs here it seems that there will be no further Delays to attack the Enemy. The sooner you send the Detachment of soldiers the better & properer. It is impossible for me to express your Kindness and Friendship to me by writing. I shall not forget your sincere Friendship as long as I live. Antazey Punt will give you a full account of Affairs. Write to me constantly of your Health.

What can I say more?

No. 198.

From Nasar Mahomed Cawn Killedar of Chetpet rec'd

June the 18th. 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that depending on your Favour I have sent Sydoo Mahomed Cawn along with Mr Thomas R. in order to inform you of the Affairs here. He will give you a full Account of every thing. I hope you'll out of your Favour and Kindness which you reserve from a long Time be pleas'd to grant a Cowl concerning my Fathers going in and coming out of Madrass as well as to me as also about assisting me with your Troops &c. in Time. I explain'd the whole Affair to the said Mr. Thomas R. who took it down in writing in his own Language to which I refer you. Mr Thomas R. inform'd me that the Days of your Festival are near at Hand. I shall on that Day discharge the Guns here for Joy. At present I send you

Rice &c. according to Custom as ℔ List enclos'd. Be so kind as to accept them which will afford me Joy. I have occasion for 2 Guns please to send them to me with 200 Balls, the said Sydoo Mahomed Cawn will pay the Cost. May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more?

N.B. A List enclosed

Fine Rice	...	...	30 m$^{d.}$
Ghee	...	...	2 d$^{o.}$
Sheep	...	...	75
Cows	...	...	15
Fowls	...	...	110

No. 199.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 17TH & REC'D THE 21ST OF JUNE 1754.

It was a Joy and Satisfaction to me to receive your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to say that the Forces are arriv'd from Bombay and Europe and that your Endeavours are to promote the Nabobs Happiness. You was pleas'd to say also that if Mahaphooz Cawn march'd to Conjeveram you was willing to join the said Troops to proceed to Terchenepelly offering at the same Time to order 1 Lack of Rupees to be paid by the Savacars of Fort St. David on his Arrival at Devicot provided I gave orders on the Amuldars for Repayment thereof. I am prodigiously thankfull to you for this Favour. Praised be God that all the Nabobs Affairs from the beginning met with Success by your Favour. In future the same Success will continue. I have paid Mahaphooz Cawn according to Agreement which was contrary to what the Nabob has wrote, notwithstanding he delay'd to move which induc'd me to enter into a firm Resolution to march to the Assistance of the Nabob at the Head of my Army. I therefore before I rec'd your Letter sent Ragonadaraw to explain some certain Matters for general Benefit. I am certain that he is arriv'd there and explain'd the Affairs thro' the Means of Antazey Punt by this Time. As I am impatient to receive your Answer please to send it as soon as possible that I may act accordingly.

What can I say more?

No. 200.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 20TH. & REC'D THE 22D. OF JUNE 1754.

I rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents you was pleas'd to say that the Forces from Bombay and Europe were landed in Madrass and that when Mahaphooz Cawn arriv'd in Conjeveram you'll join the said Forces to him and that you was willing to get him 1 Lack of Rupees from the Savacars at Fort St. David on his Arrival at Devicot provided I order the payment thereof on the Amuldars. Yesterday I answer'd this Letter very fully. As I am in firm Resolution to go to the Assistance of Terchenepelly, I have sent Ragonadaraw to inform you of some certain matters. I believe he has by this Time communicated them to you thro' the means of Antazey Punt. Please to send a satisfactory Answer as soon as possible that I may act accordingly.

In Abdull Bob Cawns own Hand

I am ready to give Orders on the Amuldars for 2 Lacks of Rupees. I am only waiting for a satisfactory Answer to the Letter which was sent you by Ragonadaraw. As soon as I receive it I shall act accordingly.

No. 201.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN DATED THE 19TH. & REC'D THE 23D JUNE 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter and observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to say that Abdull Bob Cawn acquainted you by writing that he has concluded Affairs with me in behalf of Nabob Sarazeldavala *alias* Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar & that he granted me in writing certain Indulgences to which I agreed and that I am endeavouring to maintain a Friendship & to support him in the Government of the Carnatick, desiring me at the same Time to write to you the Particulars of that Affair that you might the better Judge to render Services to me. I am certain that Abdull Bob Cawn has communicated to you the Indulgences which he granted me in writing out of Sincerity and true Friendship in behalf of the Nabob by which Communication you'll be sensible of the Affair. Notwithstanding agreable to your Desire I have now sent those Particulars to my Vakeel who will represent them to you. In regard to your Directions and Letters [I have] acted in a Manner so as to enter into a Friendship with the Nabob in every Respect. By the blessing of God I shall not make any alteration in Future. I have Hopes of Friendship in you in every Respect. My Dependance from the Beginning was upon your Kindness. I am well assur'd you will do whatever may be conducive to cement the Friendship between me and both Nabobs & then act agreable to Abdull Bob Cawns Letter and my Vakeels Representation. Be so friendly as to grant me a Letter of Promise.

What can I say more?

No. 202.

TO MAHAUPHOOZ CAWN DATED JUNE THE 23D. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letters and observe the Contents. Abdull Bob Cawn writes me he has advanced you 2 Lacks of Rupees and desir'd you to march. Agreable to your Request I have order'd 50000 to be paid here and 50000 at Fort St. David on your Arrival at Devicota. Our Men are under Arms and will march tomorrow Morning to join you at Conjeveram. I should think it a very particular Pleasure to see you but the continual Letters I receive from Camp are so very pressing for these Men that I would not lose a Minute. I now inclose you two I have wrote Abdull Bob Cawn as you desir'd. I hope he will consider the Nabobs Affairs & that you will be able to march immediately on the Arrival of our Men. May you be bless'd with Happiness. Let me hear of your Health constantly that I may rejoice.

No. 203.

TO ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED JUNE THE 23D. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letters and observe the Contents. Mahauphooz Cawn writes me that he will go, he says also that you promised him a Lack of Rupees but have not sent them. Night & Day I am considering how to render the Nabobs Affairs successfull. Let me desire you to forward Mahauphooz Cawns March so that even a Minute may not be lost. I have agreed to pay 50000 Rupees here & 50000 at St. David. Our Men will march tomorrow & be at Conjeveram in 2 days. As you know the great consequence they will be of to the Nabob I hope they will not wait an Hour there on your Account. My Advice is that you strengthen Mahaphooz Cawn with as many Horse as you can & that with the Remr. you stay at Conjeveram. I will send a Detachment to join you which will prevent the Enemy from making Incursions & enable you to collect the Rents. I know your Affection to the Nabob. The Loss of a few Days may ruin him. Therefore prevent it by the most expeditious Dispatch. Let me constantly hear of your Health and wherein I can be of Service to You.

No. 204.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED THE 21ST & REC'D THE 23D. JUNE 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter advising me that you'll order 50 thousand Rupees at Madrass & the other 50 thousand in Fort St. David. By the Blessing of God I arrived in Conjeveram agreable to your Direction on the 17th. & wrote you a Letter acquainting you that I had some urgent Affairs to inform you of and that if you wrote to me I was ready to come to have the Pleasure of paying you a Visit as I have a Desire to do so. I acquainted you also that if you don't think it proper of my coming there you shou'd write to me that I may send Mr. Piccard with a Trusty Person to you. Believe me to be under your Direction and write to me. I have no other Delay as to my March to Terchenepelly but getting Money to defray the Expence.

What can I say more?

In Mahaphooz Cawn's own Hand.

It is reasonable that you should hasten me in my March at present. Please to write Abdull Bob Cawn in the strongest Terms not to neglect this Affair but on the Contrary send me away with all possible Speed. I have wrote repeated Letters concerning an Order for one Lack of Rupees which you are willing to advance but he has not yet sent an Answer. I imagine he has sent it to you.

No. 205.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED 18TH. & REC'D THE 23D. OF JUNE 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive a Duplicate of your Letter. I lately return'd an Answer to the Letter you sent me which I suppose gave you a full Account of Matters. Agreable to your Direction I arriv'd in Conjeveram on the 17th: Instant. It is reasonable or a Duty incumbent on me to assist my Brother Aneverdy Cawn. I am very hasty to go to Terchenepelly, it is impossible for me to express it by Pen to You. I think it highly necessary to inform you of some certain Matters without I do which nothing will be agreable. I have an ardent Desire of paying a Visit to you. If you please I will come alone to have the pleasure of seeing You, and to give you a full acco[t]. of Affairs but if you dont think proper that I should come write to me that I may then send a trusty Person along with Mr Piccard to you with Directions to inform you fully of Affairs which is very necessary to be done. I am ready to comply with whatever you may be pleas'd to direct & to act accordingly.

What can I say more?

No. 206.

TO MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED JUNE THE 24TH 1754.

I write this to acquaint you that our Detachment is on the March to join you. We are at a Loss to get Pallankeen Boys, Bullocks & Cooleys here and must therefore desire you'll get ready as many as you can. In so doing it will greatly forward the Service. Write to me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice.

No. 207.

TO MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED JUNE THE 25TH 1754.

This will be deliver'd you by Capt. Forbes head Subadar of the Troops. He is a brave Gallant Soldier. Shew your Favours to him and assist him in everything he may have Occasion for in regard to his Command. Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 208.

To Mahaphooz Cawn dated June the 25th. 1754.

This will be deliver'd you by Capt. Campbell head Subadar of the Detachment. He has been at Tretchenepoly during the War and behav'd very gallantly which I am sure will entitle him to your Favour. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 209.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 24th. & rec'd the 25th. of June 1754.

Your Honour is hastening my march to Terchenepelly out of Friendship & Zeal to our Interest. My Brother Nabob Serazel dayala Bahadar *alias* Anwerdy Cawn is also writing me on this Head. It is seven Days since I arriv'd in Conjeveram agreable to your Letter and am waiting there in Expectation but I have not yet found any Effects from it. I wrote you 2 Letters from Conjeveram but have not yet rec'd an Answer. I have an ardent Desire to see you, if you write me I shall obtaint [*sic*] that Pleasure and inform you of some certain Matters which I think necessary to do, if not, let me know that I may send Mr. Piccard in Company with a trusty Person to explain those matters to You, which are very urgent. The sooner you give your friendly Assistance about my speedy Dispatch the better as it will be deem'd a great Mark of your Friendship.

What can I say more?

No. 210.

To Mootas Ally Cawn dated June the 26th. 1754.

I have rec'd your friendly Letter & observe the Contents. You say that you have wrote the Particulars of the Agreemt. between you & Abdull Bob Cawn to your Vakeel in order that he might inform me. I must tell you that in Affairs of this Nature it is not so proper to refer them to the Vackeel. You should therefore send me Copies of the Agreements pass'd between you under your Seal that I may peruse them and send an Answer to your Letter. This will prevent all Manner of Mistakes.

What can I say more?

No. 211.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated June the 26th. 1754.

I have rec'd your several Letters & observe the Contents. I heretofore wrote you very fully concerning the March. As this is not a Time to delay I have sent for Antazey Punt, & explain'd every thing to him Face to Face. He is now coming to you. Whatever he may say to you in regard to the March, look upon it as if it was my own saying & act in such Manner that the Nabobs Affairs may not suffer by Delays.

What can I say more?

The same to Abdull Bob Cawn.

No. 212.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 26th & rec'd the 27th of June 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Honours Letter & to observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to say that Abdull Bob Cawn wrote you that he had paid me two Lacks of Rupees and desir'd me to march. I must tell you that it is false. If the said

Abdull Bob Cawn had paid that sum at least in four several Payments I should have been enabled to have arriv'd in Terchenepelly by this Time & join'd Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar. I came to this Province from Balagat Country purely to assist the Nabob. Since it is so I would not be willing to delay. As you are now inclin'd out of Friendship to order 50 thousand Rupees here and 50 thousand in Fort S^{t} David nothing will detain me here any longer. My Detention hitherto was owing to the want of Money to pay the Expences of the Troops. As soon as I receive the Money for the Expence of the Troops & the Detachment of the Hatmen & Seapoys join'd me with Guns &$^{c.}$ I shall by long Stages proceed to Terchenepelly. The Troops under my Command being depriv'd of Hopes seem unwilling to go to Terchenepelly. I have therefore spoke and wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn very much upon that Occasion & desir'd him to sign an Order for half a Months pay that the Troops might thereby be fill'd with Hopes so as to accompany me without Scruple but he has not yet done it, which induced me to think of assigning Tervatore under Wandawashey & Conjeveram in paym^{t} of the Troops and I have wrote the same to Abdull Bob Cawn & told him that I shall employ my Deputy in Tervatore under Wandewashey & Conjeveram & then will proceed to Terchenepelly with a Direction that the said Pay may continually be remitted there thro' your Honours Means to prevent the Troops from giving any Trouble to the Nabob on Account of their Expence as it is well known that there is no money to be got at Terchenepelly and that the Nabobs Circumstances are low. I must therefore desire you'll write to Abdull Bob Cawn in the best Manner you can on this Head and be so friendly as to get the Money arising from Conjeveram and Tervatore under Wandewashey to be sent to Terchenepelly thro' your Means to avoid the Hardships of the Troops in regard to their Expence.

What can I say more ?

In Mahaphooz Cawns own Hand

I suppose you have hear'd by other Hands of the Money which Abdull Bob Cawn has paid on account of the Expence of the Troops. If my Brother had as much Regard & Attachment to the Nabobs Interest as you, Affairs would have met with better Success. However it is my wishes that God may grant you a long Life.

Note inclos'd.

We have Occasion for 2 hundred Europe Firelocks which are not procurable here, please to buy or supply me from Madrass. Let 50 of them be fit for the officers & the other 150 for the use of the Soldiers. As these Arms are for the Use of my Troops Please to deduct the Cost out of the 50 thousand Rupees.

No. 213.

To Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahadar dated June the 27$^{th.}$ 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter giving an acco$^{t.}$ of the Motions of the Enemy the Defeat of Gadaraw & the Kings coming into Measures for defeating the Enemy. I hope he will be firm in this Resolution though I cannot help observing to you that had he not several Times withdrawn his Horse the Enemy would have been defeated long ago. Agreable to your Desire I have sent a large Detachment who are now on their March to Conjeveram & have agreed to advance 1 Lack of Rupees which Mahaphooz Cawn is satisfied with. I must tell you I have met with great Difficultys with Abdull Bob Cawn and him. I have wrote repeated Letters. There seems to be no Harmony between them they lay the Blame on each other and neither seems inclin'd to go to Tretchenopoly. Antajee Punt tells me that should they both decline yet their Horse may march under the command of their Jammidars. I have therefore sent him to Conjeveram to conclude this Affair that no more Time may be lost. Cap^{t} Campbell who commands in Chingalaput will inform you that Abdull Bob Cawn has collected large Sums. I hope he has remitted them to you.

It is very lucky that neither Ballazeraw nor Salabet Jung came to this Province. The former would have been dazeld with the King of Mysores Money, the latter you know is not better than a Prisoner to the French.

The Morattoes have quitted Chickacull & Rajahmundrum after having plundered their whole Country. The Rajah is at Satiaram and intends [to set out] for Vizanagaram. It is surmis'd a Dispute will soon arise between him and the French concerning the Rents.

The Disputes between the Killedar of Poonemelle and his People have given us great Trouble. He is lately dead and the Kille devolves to the Government. I am inform'd that tis the Custom for the Killedar to keep a constant Force of 200 Peons for the Defence of the Country. He has never had any but we have. To avoid this Trouble in future I must desire you will annex the Kille and 14 villages to Poonemelle and send me a Phurmand first, and we will allow the Family of the deceas'd Killedar what you think proper and this will be sufficient to discharge the Expences of the Nabob.

I have conversed with Antajee Punt concerning the Affairs you desir'd him to communicate to me. I think it will be better to defer it for some Time. By my Advices from Europe I perceive the Company have a great Esteem & Friendship for You. By the Ships that I hope will arrive very shortly I expect to hear of something for your Advantage. I shall endeavour to procure the several things you desire. Let me constantly hear of your Happiness that I may rejoice.

No. 214.

To the King of Tanjore dated June the 27th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter which gave me great Pleasure as I therein observe Padre Palk has made a just presentation of Affairs to you, that since you have consulted on Affairs with the Nabob and Major Lawrence & come to a firm Resolution to act vigorously and defeat the Enemy. I desire you will preserve it. On my part my Thoughts and Time have been wholly employ'd in promoting as much as possible the Success of this Resolution. I have been continually pressing Mahauphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn to dispatch Affairs. I have the satisfaction to acquaint you that 6 ships are arriv' from Europe & 4 from Bombay by which means I have been able to raise a very strong Detachment headed by gallant Officers who marched Yesterday Morning for Conjeveram where I have sent the Nabobs Vackeel that there may not be an Hours Delay. As I have now supply'd Mahauphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn with Men & Money agreable to their Request they cannot make any Excuse. I hope this will put it out of the Enemys Power to give you any further Uneasiness & that they will meet with Shame & Confusion. You are sensible I have always sacredly preserved the Friendship between us. May it increase till there be no Distinction. Write me constantly of your Health and wherein I can be of Service to you.

No. 215.

From Mahauphooz Cawn dated the 27 night & rec'd the 29th June 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter which gave an Account of the March of your Detachment with Stores of War. You therein desir'd me to get ready Pallankeen Boys & Oxen. I must tell you that it was a great Joy for me to hear that the Detachment was march'd. Agreable to your Desire I have order'd Boys & Oxen to be got & wrote also to my Brother Abdull Bob Cawn at Arcot. It shall be my Endeavours to get as many as I can. I am only waiting for a Supply of Money for the Expence of the Troops & the Arrival of your Detachment. As soon as this is come I shall proceed to Terchenepelly. I lately desir'd you by a Letter to write to Abdull Bob Cawn to order the Payment of half a months Wages on Conjeveram to be paid

every Month to the Troops with me which I am certain you have wrote him of. As Abdull Bob Cawns Braminy by Name Ragonadaraw is with you please to order him to speak to Abdull Bob Cawn to give an order on Conjeveram for half a Months Pay as above to the Troops.

What can I say more?

In Mahaphooz Cawns own Hand.

It is highly necessary for your Honours strict Orders in regard to the half Months Wages. You'll also order Ragonadaraw upon this Business. As Conjeveram is near Madras the Produce of which can be easily remitted to Terchenepelly every month thro' your Means this will encourage the Troops or make them easy to act.

No. 216.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated June the 29th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter. It gives me great Joy to observe your Affection to the Nabob and readiness to march. I have agreable to your Desire sent with the Detachment 50 thousand Rupees and have given orders for the other 50 thousand to be paid at St. David. The Fire Arms I would send you immediately but We have been so much distress'd for Cooleys that many of those sort of People have run away and I cannot get one but that you may not be disappointed have order'd these Arms to be sent on a Ship to St. David and thence to Davecota where you will receive them. I must desire you will constantly write me wherein I can be of Service to you.

P.S. Agreable to your Desire I shall write to Abdull Bob Cawn concerning the Countrys to be set apart for the Paymt. of your Troops.

No. 217.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated June the 29th. 1754.

It has been represented to me that your People extorted from the Shop Merchants in Conjeveram the sum of P. 2000 with a Promise to repay it. I must observe to you that the said Merchants have their Shops here and carry on their Trade in our Bounds you should not suffer them to be molested in the manner aforesaid. If the above representation be true I desire you'll see them repay'd their Due and advise me of it.

What can I say more?

No. 218.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 29th. &
rec'd the 30th. of June 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter & to observe the Contents. Antazey Punt has also informed me. I lately wrote you that I only waited for the Arrival of the Detachment & a Supply of money for the Expence of the Troops & that I had no other Delay in the affair. This Day is reckoned a lucky Day I therefore enter'd into a Tent. I thought your Detachment would have join'd me before now but it is not yet arriv'd. Please to order it to join as soon as possible. I desire you'll send me the Money agreed on thro' the means of the Hatman (supposed to be a Sardar of the Detachment) that I may pay some things to the Troops and proceed forward with all possible Speed.

What can I say more?

No. 219.

FROH ANTAZEY PUNT DATED THE 29TH. & RECD THE 30TH. OF JUNE 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that I arriv'd Yesterday in Conjeveram and waited upon Mahaphooz Cawn to whom I deliver'd your Letter and spoke to him in a proper Manner what was requisite who took the same into Consideration and said that he only waited for the Arrival of your Detachment and a supply of Money for the Expence of the Troops and that as soon as they come from Madrass he was willing to proceed forward. On this I repeated my Discourse to him in a pressing Manner and told him that the Detachmt. was mach'd from Madrass and was hourly expected to arrive & that the Supply of Money for the Expence of the Troops as aforesaid will be sent according as your Honour had wrote him and that he should march as nothing will be wanting on your Side, upon which he this Day enter'd into his Tent and wrote a Letter to your Honour which comes inclos'd by which you'll be able to know the Affair. You'll therefore be pleas'd to send the Detachment with all possible speed and likewise the Money for the Expence of the Troops thro' the means of the English Sardar. I am inform'd that Abdull Bob Cawn is hourly expected to arrive here. May Happiness always attend you.

No. 220.

TO ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED JULY THE 1ST. 1754.

Our Troops are by this Time at Conjeveram & Mahauphooz Cawn fully resolv'd to march. He desires some Districts of Conjeveram may be put under his Amuldars for the Payment of his Troops. His Request I think is very reasonable. I am therefore convinced you will with Joy comply with it. Write me what Force will remain with you after his Departure that I may consider of proper Measures to prevent the Enemy from plundering the Country. I am preparing a Party to join you. I think you had better stay at Conjeveram till we see the Enemys Motions. Agreable to Yours & Mahauphooz Cawns desire I have provided Houses for your Family as the Country will be in Troubles they may here enjoy Happiness. Look upon Madrass as your own.

What can I say more ?

No. 221.

TO ANTAZEY PUNT DATED JULY THE 1ST 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter & observe the Contents. The Detachment and Money must be at Conjeveram before this reaches You. Abdull Bob Cawn is I hear decamp'd from Arcot. Let me know what number of Troops proceed to the Nabob and what remain with Abdull Bob Cawn. I shall get ready a small Party to join him. You know it was always my Opinion that his & Mahauphooz Cawns Family would be safest at Madrass, tis more so now as it may be expected that after the March of the Enemy this Country may be troubled. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 222.

FROM ANTAZEY PUNT DATED THE 2D. & REC'D THE 3D. OF JULY 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that on the 29th. Ultimo I sent a Letter to you giving you an Account of the Occurrences here and of Mahaphooz Cawn's entering into his Tent. On the 1st. Instant Messrs. Forbes & Campbell who are the Sardars arriv'd in Conjeveram with the Troops and paid a Visit to Mahaphooz Cawn. On the 2d. Mahaphooz Cawn went to see them in the Pagode at Conjeveram. At that Time, he consulted with them about the March. I am pressing Mahaphooz Cawn in

an extraordinary Manner about it. As he is ready to begin the March it seems there will be no further Delays. Mr. Forbes &c Sardars Letters will give you a full Account of Matters, I therefore did not think it necessary to repeat them herein to You. May Happiness always attend you.

No. 223.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN RECEIV'D THE 3D OF JULY 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter & to observe the Contents. By the Blessing of God Capt. Forbes & Campbell arriv'd in Conjeveram on the 1st. Instant & paid a Visit to me. There will be no Delays now. I am ready to march forward whenever the said Captains may desire and am determin'd to go to Terchenepelly by continual Stages.

What can I say more.

In Mahaphooz Cawn's own Hand.

The Captains gave me a full Account of the several Instances of your Friendship to me. I was extreamly well pleas'd with it. It behoves all good Generals to do the like Act.

No. 224.

FROM NAZEBULLA CAWN RECEIV'D THE 4TH. OF JULY 1754.

I am resolv'd to remove my Family to Madrass for certain Reasons which makes me to intreat your Favour either to provide me with one of your Circars (meaning the Companys Houses) or to get one hired for me according as your Honour may be able & think proper & advise me with it that I may then send my Family. Let your Favours increase.

What can I say more?

No. 225.

FROM NABOB ABDULL HAMED CAWN OF CUDAPA
RECEIV'D THE 4TH. JULY 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that Sanawasaraw inform'd me very fully by a Letter of your best Endeavours & friendly Assistance in my Affairs. As a perfect Harmony reigns between us I am in hopes that the Friendship will daily encrease & that it will be corroborated in such a Manner that there may be no Distinction. I have been inform'd that cursed Nation the French have again began their Disturbance as formerly & besieg'd the Fort of PallemCotah. As the Enemys Disturbance of late has been quell'd by your Help & Assistance I have the same or entire Hopes of it in you at present. Tho I am at a Distance yet am not unmindfull of punishing or correcting the wicked Disturbers. Be so good as to assist the People in the said Fort in every Respect with all possible Speed & use a Method to punish those wicked People and exert yourself that it may oblige them to cease their Proceedings and make their Retreat. I have sent a strict order to Abdull Cauder Cawn concerning the Payment of the Betta to your Troops who may go to assist and he will pay it without Fail. In a short Time I shall march to those Parts and endeavour to settle Affairs there jointly with your Honour but in the Interim I hope you'll soon send me agreable News of your Assistance and Destruction of the Enemy that I may rejoice and make myself easy. May Happiness always attend you.

What can I say more?

No. 226.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN RECEIV'D THE 5TH. OF JULY 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter & observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to say that Abdull Bob Cawn inform'd you that he enter'd into an Agreement with me in behalf of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar and that you wrote me several Letters desiring me to send you the Particulars of the said Agreement but that I did not send you an Answer which seem'd somewhat strange, requesting me at the same Time to send the particulars soon that you might fulfill your Promise to me. Let me take the Liberty to inform you that when lately I receiv'd a Letter from you about sending those Particulars I return'd you an Answer & sent the several Particulars of the Agreement to Vankazey Punt my Vackeel who I believe has given you a full Account of them. I believe also that Abdull Bob Cawn has likewise explain'd them to You. I receiv'd no other Letter from You but what is above mention'd. By the Blessing of God the Friendship between us has been corroborated long ago which is more than I can express in writing but as it is now renew'd, it gives me inexpressible Joy & Satisfaction. As there is so great Friendship between us can I delay answering your Letters? As you became a Mediator between Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar & Abdull Bob Cawn the Friendship was encreas'd on a better Footing than before which undoubtedly makes me inclinable to do whatever may be conducive to support these two in their Government. I hope you have heared by other Hands of the many Instances of Friendship which I have already given and shall in Future settle the Nabob in his Governmt. However in matters of Friendship I remain with Truth & Faith. You'll on your Part perusing the Particulars of the said Agreement be so favourable as to send an Agreement under your Seal & Sign according to my Vackeels Desire and Abdull Bob Cawns Letter.

What can I say more?

No. 227.

FROM MURTAZULLA CAWN OF VALORE RECEIV'D THE 5TH. OF JULY 1754.

I have an ardent Desire of seeing you which is impossible for me to express in writing. May God grant it to me. I made Shacar Coorey *alias* a contract of Marriage with Ally Doast Cawn son to Nabob Subderelly Cawn deceas'd. It would be needless for me to express the old Friendship between us, either by Pen or Tongue. In regard to that Friendship I send you a few Pieces of Cloth in Token of Joy of the said Contract as ℔ a List enclos'd which will be deliver'd you by Vankazey Punt my Vackeel. Please to receive them & let me know of it that I may rejoice. Continue your kind Correspondence with me to my Satisfaction.

What can I say more?

A List inclos'd

Gold thread Turband	1
Do. Jamavar	2
Sash from Guzerat	1
Kimcab	1
	5

No. 228.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN REC'D THE 5TH. OF JULY 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter in answer to that of mine wherein you was pleas'd to say that in regard to the Copies of the Agreement between me & Abdull Bob Cawn it was not so proper to refer them to my Vackeel & that I should send the said Copies in order that you might peruse & send an Answer to me. The reason of my

referring them to the Vackeel was because that after you were acquainted with the Particulars of the said Agreement should you desire to inform yourself of the Discourse relating thereto which might be unknown to you and as the said Vackeel was fully acquainted with every thing that he might explain them to you, but as you was pleas'd to write to me as aforesaid I send inclos'd the Copy of the Agreement which I hope will come to your Perusal. I depended upon you & made myself perfectly easy in every Respect. For other Matters I refer you to the verbal Acco^{t} of the Vackeel.

What can I say more ?

A copy of the Agreement given by Abdull Bob Cawn under his Seal.

I hereby swear laying my Hand on the holy Book of Phurkan chusing God & his Prophet as also the blessed Patriarchs & Alcoran as a Witness to act according to the seven Articles hereunder written.

1$^{st.}$ I shall not dispossess the Forts & Jaqueers which you and your Brothers as also Mensebdars &^{c} belonging to you have had in the Time of my deceas'd Father. As the Fort of Chettoor belongs to you it shall be restor'd to you as soon as the Troubles or Disturbances are over together with the conditional Jaqueer as also a Jaqueer on account of Ahasham or (military). I have great Hopes of Benefit in you, for which Reason I dont value the customary Taxes which I shall not demand of you either at present or in Future. As to the Phousdars Fees no body shall molest You.

2$^{dly.}$ You demand a Jaqueer to be given near You in Lieu of what you have at a Distance. About this (after the Troubles are over) I shall dismiss a certain Person &$^{c.}$ and then will grant your Desire. At present I shall grant Orders to clear your Jaqueer which is under the seizure of the Circars Amuldars.

3$^{dly.}$ You desire that Agaram & Tutapet be given in your Jaqueer. By the Blessing of God as soon as the Union is settled with each other I shall send for the Nabobs Grant to be given to that End.

4$^{thly.}$ Should any one molest you I shall assist You on all Accounts against it. You may believe me to be your sincere Allie.

5$^{thly.}$ I shall procure & send you Letters of Indulgence from the Governour of Madrass & Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar.

6$^{thly.}$ You requested me to confer the Employment of the Patcha Backshey & to grant a Jaqueer to Alley Doast Cawn son to Subderelly Cawn deceas'd. As the Nabob reserves a Favour for the said Doast Alley Cawn (after the War & Troubles are over) it shall be granted together with a proper Jaqueer.

7$^{thly.}$ You requested me also to grant Mayelmenly Checaraspore & Cocanore, as a Jaqueer to Zayanelabedeen Cawn. As I must preserve your Good Will above all other Affairs I grant it to You.

No. 229.

From Antazey Punt dated the 6$^{th.}$ & receiv'd the 7$^{th.}$ of July 1754.

It was a great Joy & Satisfaction for me to receive your kind Letter. I lately sent you a Letter which contain'd the Occurrences here, by that I hope you have gain'd a full Acco^{t} of Affairs. This Day being the 6$^{th.}$ Instant Mahaphooz Cawn begun his March from this Place with the English Troops & arriv'd in Mamodore 3 Coasses Distance from Conjeveram. By the Blessing of God he will continue the March from thence by long Stages. I think fit to acquaint you with it. You was pleas'd to order me to let you know the Number of the Troops which go along with Mahaphooz Cawn & what remains with Abdull Bob Cawn. I now send you a List of the Troops with Mahaphooz Cawn which will inform you very fully. We have Advice that Abdull Bob Cawn will arrive this Day in this Place. As soon as he comes I shall inform myself concerning the Troops with him & then will send you a full acco$^{t.}$ of them. When I wait upon your Honour I shall not fail to inform you of it likewise. May Happiness always encrease.

A List of the Horse and Foot with Mahaphooz Cawn.

Horses 1761 for mounting of	1598 Men.
Seapoys	350
Wall piece Bearers	335
Musketeers	227
Casabardars	17
Sherecheybardar	25
Raket Bearers	11
Gunners	26
Aranchey	15
Cooleys	45
Ax Bearers	15
Carpenters	11
Nakeabs	7

In all 1761 Horse and 2682 Men.

No. 230.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated July the 9th. 1754.

I am sorry to tell you that after so much Trouble as I have taken that Mahauphooz Cawn is not yet march'd nor you moved from Arcot. Was I to act in the same idle Manner what would become of the Nabob. I suppose after this Army has moved, the Enemy by Detachments from Gingee &c. places will endeavour to plunder the Conjeveram &c Countrys. I have a Party of Men ready to join you when you arrive at Conjeveram. Nizabulla Cawn has wrote me to provide a House for his Family which I shall do, those for yours & Mahauphooz Cawns are ready. I dont think they are safe when the Country is thus involv'd in Troubles. Take my advice and send them. Let me hear of your Health. You sent me Bills on the Amuldars of Terpasore. I am informed you have dismiss'd him your service. You will therefore give your orders to the new Amuldars to pay it.

No. 231.

To Nizabulla Cawn dated July the 9th. 1754.

I have had the Pleasure to receive the Letter you wrote and have order'd Sampatrow to get a House ready for your Family. I desire you will send them & look upon Madrass as your own. Happiness attend you.

No. 232.

To Mootas Ally Cawn dated the 9th. July 1754.

It gave me great Joy to hear from you that your Daughter was to be married to Ally Doast Cawn son to Nabob Subderelly Cawn. May the Almighty bless them & you with Happiness. You say you have an earnest Desire of paying me a Visit. Whenever you[r] affairs admitt I desire you will give me that Pleasure. I wrote you concerning some certain Affairs. Please to dispatch them that the Friendship between us may encrease.

What can I say more.

No. 233.

To Antazey Punt dated the 9th. July 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter wherein you tell me Mahauphooz Cawn had march'd. My Sardars inform me that they are not. I am surpriz'd at this as well as that Nabob Abdull Bob Cawn is not come to Conjeveram. You know the Nabobs affairs must be ruin'd by these Delays therefore use your Endeavours to dispatch these affairs with Expedition. You know I have provided Houses for their Familys. You write nothing on this Subject. Tis very unsafe for them to be in the Country at this Time. By all Means advise them to send them. Write me of your Health.

No. 234.

To Mootas Ally Cawn dated the 9th. July 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter inclosing a Copy of the Agreement given you by Abdull Bob Cawn. I had this from him before. I desire you will send me a Copy of your Agreemt. with him with your Seal assign'd to it. I shall then send you a Letter of Indulgence as you desire. Let me hear of your Happiness.

No. 235.

From Walley Mahomed Cawn Amuldar of Terpassore rec'd the 9th. July 1754.

I take the Liberty to send you 7 Mellons which is the fruit of the Indostan Country & beg you'll taste them. The Chief of Pullicat has contrary to the old Customs hoisted his Flag on the Circars Limits and forbad the Inhabitants & others there to go to the Circars Amuldars without his Permission. He has also contrary to the old Customs seiz'd the Measure with which Grain is measur'd & detains it with him and whenever the Circars Paddy is carry'd to be sold there, he refuses to give the Measure. The Merchants bring their grain Vessells to Pullicat and have their Cowls from the Circars Amuldar, notwithstanding he endeavours to enter them in his own Name, by which Means he wrongs the Circars of his Customs. Thus he has extended his Injury to the great Loss of the Circar which induces me to implore Your Favour to write a Letter to the Chief of Pullicat ordering him to cease his Molestation to the Affairs of the Circar but act agreable to the usual Custom. This will put an end to the Disturbance & encourage the Amuldar to be mindfull of collecting the Circars Rents. It is highly necessary that your Honour should shew your Favours in this Affair.

What can I say more?

No. 236.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 7th. & rec'd the 9th. July 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that Mr. Piccard who has hitherto stay'd with me knew our Tongue which enabl'd me to consult with him on the Circars Affairs in every Respect without Dubashes. This regulated the said Affairs. The Captains who arriv'd here are Men of Credit & Experience but they are Strangers to our Language. As the said Mr. Piccard is now coming to your Place (after you have examin'd your Accounts with him) You'll send him back to me if you think fit that he may be the acting Person between me & the Captains in regard to my Discourse with them.

What can I say more?

No. 237.

To Mahaphooz Cawn dated July the 10th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter [and] agreable to your Desire order'd Ensign Piccard to proceed with the Detachment. I am sorry to see you lose so much Time by Delays when every Hour you thus trifle away is worse to the Nabob than the Wound of a Scimatar from his Enemy. I have desir'd Capt. Campbell to discourse with You & know your final Resolution that if you are resolv'd not to assist the Nabob I may do it to the Best of my Power. You are wise I need not urge more.

No. 238.

To the King of Tanjore dated July the 10th. 1754.

In my last Letter I inform'd you that several Recruits were arriv'd from Europe and Bombay & that I had sent a large Detachment to join Mahaphooz Cawn since which more Men are arrived and I expect still a larger Number. Monsr. Dupleix will be recall'd Home and another Gentleman sent out to Pondicherry. I wish I could advise you Mahaphooz Cawn was march'd. He has mov'd about 2 Coase from Conjeveram. Tis my Opinion if the Major should think it advisable to march before he arrives you should lose no Time but join him immediately. I have purchased for you a Chest of Guns & Pistols and sent them to Devecota to be forwarded to You. Mr. Palk will give you the Acct. of them. I desire you will constantly write me of your Health that I may rejoice.

No. 239.

To Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahadar dated July the 10th. 1754.

As it is an expressible Satisfaction to me to hear of your Health & Success I am concern'd that I have not lately rec'd any Letter from you. Probably they have been taken by the Enemy. In the last I wrote You I advis'd of a Number of Recruits being arriv'd from Europe & Bombay and that I had sent a strong Detachment to join Mahauphooz Cawn, wrote him very pressingly to march and advanced him the Money he desir'd. I must now inform you that since that Time more Men are arriv'd and that I still expect a larger Number. Mr. Dupleix is recall'd to his Country and another Person sent out in his Stead. I wish I could absolutely tell you Mahauphooz Cawn was march'd. All I hear is that he has moved a Course or two from Conjeveram but still evades that Expedition which is so necessary to your Affairs & Abdull Bob Cawn Continues at Arcot. Were they my Officers I should give such Orders as were requisite and have them obey'd. They are your Brothers and tis for you to consider whether they are not greatly wanting in Affection to You and whether you will suffer them to ruin your Affairs. The worst of your Enemys can do no more. I desire you will weigh this Affair seriously with Major Lawrence and write me your Sentiments how I shall act with them. I now enclose you a List of several Villages belonging to Terpassore which greatly interfere with those of Poonemelly, their Value may be wrong. I desire you will send me a Phirmaund for these Villages & Mannamangalum to remain under the Company till their Debt be paid at the Rates the Circar let them for, and if you was to send me another Phirmaund for Covelong, Chingalaput, Terpassore, and Conjeveram in the same Manner I believe it would be for your Advantage. Major Lawrence will discourse with You on this Subject please to dispatch it as soon as possible. I am impatient to hear from You. May the Almighty bless you with Happiness. I also inclos'd you a List of the Jaqueer of the Poonemelly Fort.

No. 240.

To Abdull Hamed Cawn Nabob of Cuddapah
dated July the 11th. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter wherein you say Sanashaverou inform'd you of my assisting your Affairs & that you desire I would continue my Assistance, also, that you design to march with your Army to this Province. You may depend upon my continuing to do you all the Services in my Power. Your People will no doubt write you the News. The Enemy are very powerfull, tis impossible for my Troops to be in all Places. At prest. the Nabob's Army is at Tretchenopoly. Whenever they move from thence they will come to Chellumbrum when by the Blessing of God the Enemy will be driven from thence. Let me hear of your Happiness that I may rejoice.

No. 241.

From Mahaphooz Cawn rec'd the 12th. of July 1754.

Your Honour was pleas'd to say in your Letter that my People have taken up 2000 P. of the Merchants in Conjeveram. Let me inform you that the late Amuldar of that Place had borrow'd that Sum of the said Merchants & gave them a Bond for it & then he paid it in Part which was due to the Circar. At prest. one Yaketayar Cawn acts as a Naib in the said Country to whom I have wrote a Letter requiring him to inspect into the Accots. of the Revenues rec'd out of the said Country for the Year of Phasaly 1163 & should there appear any Ballance remaining collect it & pay it towards the Discharge of the said Debt. But on the Contrary, I have order'd him to satisfye the Debr. in the Year of Phasaly 1164 and hope he will act agreable thereto.

What can I say more?

No. 242.

From Balazeraw receiv'd the 12th. of July 1754.

I observe by the Letters from Sarazeldavala Bahadar *alias* Anaverdy Cawn as also by the Accot. given me by Malick Assalem Cawn that you have exerted yourself to the utmost in Alliance with him as becomes a good & brave Warrior. This gave me great Pleasure & induced me to commend & Praise You. The said Anaverdy Cawn has maintain'd a strict & perfect Friendship with me from a long Time. In regard to that Friendship there will be sent soon a victorious Army to settle the Affairs in those Parts Make yourself easy & continue to exert yourself in Alliance with him according as you have done already & endeavour a strict firmness, which will by all Means be a beneficial Step. Continue to write to me of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 243.

From Washdava Punt in Salabet Jungs Camp
dated the 14th. June & rec'd the 13th. July.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that on the 6th. of June half an Hour after 10 o'Clock in the Forenoon Salabet Jung arriv'd in the City of Golconda & entered into his Palace. At that Time his Brother paid his Compliment to him with a Present as did several others afterwards. Monsr Bosey march'd separately and fix'd his Camp without the City on the Road to Mechalapatam and lay there for the space of 8 Days during which Time he took an Opportunity to address himself to Salabet Jung in the Manner following.

You was pleas'd to grant Razamandrem & Checacole to us, but the Jemeadars & others there did not suffer us to take Possession of the same, besides which Subazeraw son to Ragozey Bosala made Incursions in the said Country & plunder'd it entirely. They are still in Camlemitta. If you permitt me I shall go & take Notice of the Affairs there to settle them & then I shall return to you. At length he obtain'd Leave to depart & then removed the Camp to Hayatanageram. At the Time of his March Salabet Jung went to him & gave him Leave to go. At that Time Mons^{r} Bosey ask'd him whether he would have him carry the Artillary with him or leave it behind him, to which his Answer was, that all the Oxen belonging to the Artillary were fatigued on Acco$^{t.}$ of the late Expedition, that the Monsoon was near at Hand, that if he thought they would bear it out he might carry them with him and he added that they belong'd to the Patcha and he might dispose of them as he pleas'd. It is talk'd here that he will leave all the heavy Guns behind him & carry the Rem$^{r.}$ with him. The French have an Army of 1000 Hatmen and 8000 Seapoys. Mons^{r} Bosey entertain'd in his Service 7 or 800 Horse. He intends to leave 500 Seapoys & 100 Hatmen with a Sardar to stay with Salabet Jung & carry the remaining part of the Force with him. As soon as he march'd from Hayatanageram, I shall send you a true Acco$^{t.}$ of Affairs. News was brought that Ragozey Bosale's Son left the Country to the Northward & return'd to his Country by the Way of Yalagandala. As to the News at Delly, they say the great Mogull entered into a Tent without the City. We did not hear any thing farther on that Head. Gazedey Cawns Son is still in the Jate's Country. It is talk'd that Balazeraw return'd from his Expedition ag$^{t.}$ the Countrys & arriv'd in Ponna to take his Quarters there. When Salabet Jung marched towards Barad he appointed Coja Namatulla Cawn Subadar of Adoney. He thereupon march'd to the said Place & took Possession of the Town Wall there, but the Fort is in Possession of the Hadayet Mohayedey Cawn's Mother who has the Government in her Hands at present. We have not yet rec'd any Advice of Namutulla Cawns conquering the said Fort. For other Matters I shall send you a full Account by and by.

P.S. Mons^{r} Bosey marched from Hayatanagery. At that Time he order'd 500 Seapoys & 200 Hatmen with 2 Sardars & five Guns to stay with Salabet Jung. He promised Salabet Jung to return to him in 3 or 4 Months. Roomey Cawn Dubash to Mons^{r} Bosey arriv'd in the City and he is continually applying to Goverdendess and Bakenzey for a certain Sum of Money to be lent him. They were very much tired by him. Mons^{r} Boseys Affairs are upon the above Footing. He has no Money. We shall know the Event in a short Time.

No. 244.

From Barkey Vankataraw rec'd July the 8$^{th.}$ 1754.

Your Honour was pleas'd to be so favourable as to think of concluding a Friendship between the Parties and to that End you obtain'd a Paper of Proposals from Me, afterwards you set aside that Paper & was pleas'd to send for me & then took another in a particular Manner. At that Time you was pleas'd to promise me to send up European Gentlemen to go along with me in 2 or 3 Days. This I communicated to both the Dallaways & told them I should be with them with the Proposals & the Gentleman. On this they sent a trusty Person to me. In order to acquaint you with this affair I have been continually sending to you for this whole Month to have the Pleasure of your Company but you delay'd from Time to Time. As I stay'd so long under your favourable Protection my Design was to conclude a Friendship between the Parties agreable to your Inclination & to obtain a good Name by it & likewise to merit your Favour. Upon this Business I used the utmost of my Endeavours but it was of no Effect and as the Success of the Business lay dorment, I impute it to my bad Luck. Since it is so my Application will be of no Service. I have hitherto thought of going according to your Promise & to that End I detain'd my Brother in Law as also the People who came from thence here. They say that there is a Wedding in their House & that they must soon return. As for my Part I

have no Money for the Expences. There are 4 Horses, 2 Oxen, 2 new Pallankeen Bamboos, 1 Pallenkeen without Furniture & 15 Men with me. I desire your Honour to order a Pass that I may send them away to Morrow. As to myself I shall stay here till you are pleas'd to shew your Favours to me. It is two Years since I came to this Place, during which Time I receiv'd some Supplys for my Expence besides which you lent me some Money & I borrow'd other Sums of the Savacars abroad. These supported me to this Day. According to your Order I wrote 2 or 3 Times to the Dallaways concerning the Affairs but as nothing was dispatch'd with Success they look'd upon what I wrote them as false & were highly displeas'd with me by which I lost their Favour & can never expect any Supply from them for my Expence in Future. If your Honour don't order the Betta to be paid to the People with me it will be impossible for me to support myself I hope therefore that You'll order it in such a manner that We may be enabled to support ourselves & that you'll grant the Pass on the above Occasion. If you are inclin'd to negotiate Affairs thro' my Means & to send me soon, please to do it, if not order the Paper of my first Proposals to be return'd to me that I may cancell it. It is impossible for me to express the great Hostilities the Seapoys committed in my House which they entered by Force. This they did on account of the Oxen. The Firelocks in Arcot are not yet order'd to be restored. If you be thus unmindfull of me is there any Body else to help me? My Whole Dependance is upon your Honour. Please to order as your Discretion may direct.

No. 245.

FROM WASHDAVA PUNT IN SALABET JUNG'S CAMP DATED THE 31ST OF JANRY. & REC'D THE 13TH. OF JULY 1754.

The Army lay encamp'd to this Day at Calatcheputra. It is talk'd here that it will proceed forward in 2 or 3 Days. They sent some Hircars to look out for a Place within 2 or 3 Coases to fix the Camp on. It is thought he will either march towards Walazoo, Mongapet, or Barad. News was brought that Ragozey Bosala who lived in Barad is now arriv'd at Caraza. As soon as I know the Truth of it, I shall communicate it to you. Gazedey Cawns Son is within 20 Coases of Delly, he undertook an Expedition agt. the Jates. Malarzey Balcar and his Son Candaraw as also Ragoba Brother to Balazeraw and Roujapa Sidda are now with Gazedey Cawn's Son with 50, or 60 thousand Men. Madava Sing son to Savay Jasing is in Jayanagary. It is talk'd here that he has finish'd the Affair of the Chout with Malarzey Balacar for 18 Lacks of Rupees which made him uneasy. Balazeraw has begun his March & arriv'd in Pandarapore & from thence he continued his March towards Setarah from which Place he rec'd a Message that he was at Liberty to go & pay a Visit provided he does no Damage to the Country. As the King in Setarah was dead, Balazeraws Intention was to go & settle the Affairs there, but in the Interim he rec'd the above Message. I can't tell to what Place he will now proceed. As soon as he directs his March, I shall let you know of it. Monsr Bosey had a fall from his Horse & felt a Pain in his Legs of which he is not yet recovered. Salabet Jung was afflicted 4 Days with the small Pox. At that Time it was reported in the Town that he was very ill, to prevent which Sydoo Lascar Cawn advis'd Salabet Jung to send out his Peishcana, which he accordingly did and on the same Day he in Company with the Two Brothers went out which was at 12 O'Clock in the Forenoon but Sydoo Lascar Cawn is still in the City. Shanavaz Cawn has fix'd his Tent without the Town. They paid a Months Wages to the Army. Coja Namatulla Cawn has fix'd his Tent, was appointed Subah of Adoney. He paid some Money on that Accot. as did Boscal Cawn on Accot. of the Subahship of Golconda. These amounted to 4 Lack of Rupees which enabled them to pay the Army as above. Monsr Bosey went to Dargo Cooleys Cawns House. This man was the Cotaval of the City and he presented Monsr Bosey with 5 ps. of Cloth and a Horse. Abram Cawn Subadar of the Seapoys had been detach'd to Cheacacole and Razamandrem to settle the Affairs there, but Japherally

Cawn in Company with Apparaw Jemeadar prevented his Entrance in the said Country, this is what is talk'd here at present. They say Abram Cawn is still in Baganadar. I cannot yet tell you where or to what Place the Army will march.

P.S. Grain is very dear in the City. Wheat was sold at 18 Sears ℔ Rupee but it at present sells at 10 or 12. Rice before sold at 8, or 10 Sears but it sells now at 6 Seers. The Excessive Rains here have damag'd the Wheat Crops which made it so dear. Jonnaloo sells at 8 Seers ℔ Rupee and Sanagaloo at 16 Seers. Ghee sells at $1\frac{1}{2}$ or $1\frac{3}{4}$ Seers ℔ Rupee.

No. 246.

FROM BANGAR YACKEN NAICQUE REC'D THE 16TH. OF JULY 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your agreable Letter by Harayapa & hope you'll continue to please me with a kind Correspondence of Letters. I have inform'd Harayapa very fully concerning the Fort of Ramapore & the Villages of Cheacacoal agreable to which he will address himself to your Honour. You'll without Doubt be so favourable as to give your Assistance in that Affair. I am yours in every Respect.

What can I say more?

No. 247.

FROM PRETAP SING KING OF TANJORE REC'D THE 16TH. OF JULY 1754.

In the Time of Chenda Saib Madam Dupleix sent several proposals to me thro' the Means of Aulam Cawn Jamadar with a promise to dispatch everything agreable thereto provided I maintain'd a Friendship. When your Honour sent Padre Palk to Sadrass & was negotiating with Dupleix, You desir'd me by a Letter to send you my Requests. I thereupon order'd Succojee Naique to write to Ramaraw Vackeel of what had passed thro' the Means of Aulem Cawn that he might communicate it to your Honour, but he instead of acting according to order wrote a Letter to Ramaraw & told him that Madam Dupleix promised by a Letter to get those Proposals granted, upon which Ramaraw drew out a Memorandum agreable thereto, & presented it to You. I must tell you that all the Porposals were made thro' the Means of Aulem Cawn as above, notwithstanding the man who acted here made a Mistake & wrote in the Manner as aforesaid. However I esteem your Honour to be my entire Supporter in every Respect. I got Manozeram to write some certain Matters to which I refer you. Write to me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice

What can I say more.

No. 248.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN REC'D THE 16TH. OF JULY 1754.

I rec'd your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to say that Mahaphooz Cawn was not yet marched & that I did not move from Arcot & that your Troops are ready to join me on my Arrival at Conjeveram. Let me inform you that before you wrote the Letter Mahaphooz Cawn had begun his March from Conjeveram jointly with the English Troops on the 6th. Instant & arriv'd in Chepet & will by long Stages proceed from thence to Terchenepelly. I hope you have heard of it by other Hands. The Reason of my Detention here was because that I was busy in getting Danishmend Cawn Companion to Mahaphooz Cawn ready to march. By the Blessing of God he was determin'd to do it. As soon as he does I shall go to Conjeveram. You'll therefore detach your Troops soon according as you have wrote me that I may then proceed to punish the Enemys towards Tervatore jointly with them. Agreable to

your Letter Mahaphooz Cawns Family was sent to Madras. I hope they are there by this Time. Please to take Care of them in every Respect. You was pleased to say that Nezeabulla Cawn had wrote for a House for his Family. By all means be so favourable as to provide him with it. You say also that you have been informed of the Amuldar of Terpasore being dismiss'd the Service and you desir'd me therefore to send an Order on the new Amuldar. I must tell you that the old Amuldar is still in Service, if not I would have sent the Order. At Mahaphooz Cawn's Departure from Conjeveram I sent for Antazey Punt to me to see the said Danishmend Cawn begin the March in his Presence. For a particular Acco$^{t.}$ of Matters I refer you to Antazey Punts Letter. He will soon be with you, then he will give you a verbal acco$^{t.}$ of Affairs in full.

What can I say more ?

No. 249.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED THE 7TH & REC'D THE 17TH JULY 1754.

I begun the March on the 6$^{th.}$ Instant with a Design to go to the Assistance of my Brother Nabob Sarazeldavalah. The Troops are pressing me very much. A Calculation to the 15$^{th.}$ of June last amounted to Rup$^{s.}$ 150000 which must be paid them and in future I must continue to pay half a Months Wages. It seem'd difficult for these Troops to march because of the Expence but your good Endeavours & the Hopes we had in You enboldned them to undertake the Expedition. Antazey Punt will inform you very fully on this Affair. You'll get the Districts to be set apart by Abdull Bob Cawn on Acco$^{t.}$ of the Expences of the Troops with me according as you have wrote me & then see them deliver'd to Abdull Maley Cawn.

What can I say more ?

In Mahaphooz Cawn's own Hand.

By the Blessing of God & his Prophet I undertook my march to Terchenepelly. I have firm Hopes that the Enemy will soon meet with Shame & Destruction. It is necessary to take care of the Troops & I hope there will be no Neglect in this Affair.

No. 250.

FROM NABOB ANAVERDY CAWN BAHAUDAR DATED 24$^{TH.}$ JUNE REC'D 17$^{TH.}$ JULY 1754.

I lately sent you a full Acco$^{t.}$ of the Occurrences in writing which I suppose made you sensible of Affairs. It is a long Time since I rec'd a Letter from you which make[s] me impatient to hear the good News of your Health. Your kindness to me is far beyond what I can Express to you either by Pen or Tongue, in Addition to which I have been inform'd that you lately sent assistance to Mahauphooz Cawn for him to march hither. By the Blessing & God & your Assistance there appears a good Prospect of Affairs here. The King of Tanjore & Tondamon have join'd me sincerely. If Mahauphooz Cawn arrives at this Juncture it will be very beneficial to Affairs. I hope you'll be so favourable as to write repeated Letters to Mahauphooz Cawn on this Head & send him soon hither that we may then use a Method to extirpate the Enemey. The Detachment from Bombay is not yet arriv'd here. I wait in Tanjore to this Day in expectation of those Troops. It is necessary that we should have a large Number of Soldiers. You'll out of true Friendship send the English Troops from Madras & Fort St. David as soon as possible. As you are mindfull to dispatch all Affairs with more Care than myself it will [not] be needfull for me to write on y$^{t.}$ Head. When the Army lay in the Plains of Dobeypenda near the Fort of Tertchenopoly there pass'd writings in regard to Morarey, thro' the Means of Monajee which I acquainted you off by Major Lawrence. As the said Morarey is a subtle Contriver he

amus'd us till the Arrival of a Reinforcement from the French. As soon as that arriv'd he returned the said Writings. Now he Negociates thro' the Means of the King of Tanjore who agreed to pay him 3 Lacks of Rupees provided he goes to Balagat. By & by I shall enclose Copies of the Writings which passed in my Letter to you. The said Morarey is a bad Fellow & a wicked Contriver. We can't trust his Word or deed. If any thing occurs hereafter I shall write to you of it. Be assur'd of my Inclination & continue to write to me of your Health.

What can I say more?

No. 251.

FROM MURTAZELLY CAWN REC'D THE 17TH. OF JULY 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter in answer to that of mine wherein you was pleas'd to acknowledge the Receipt of a copy of the Agreement given under the Seal of Abdull Bob Cawn & sent by me to you desiring me of the same Time to send you a Copy of the Agreement given by me to the said Abdull Bob Cawn that you may then send me a Letter of Indulgence. I observ'd the Contents of the Letter & agreable to your Desire therein send you the said Copy inclos'd in this & hope it will come to your Perusal. I am certain that you'll agreable to what you have wrote send me the Letter of Indulgence under a Seal & Sign on the Top of it. The Friendship between us is of a long Standing & upon a firm Footing which is needless to be express'd either by Pen or Tongue. Your pleasing Disposition, Truth, Fidelity, & honest Actions are imprinted in my friendly Heart. I have therefore depended upon your Friendship & Mediation & made myself perfectly easy in every Respect. Continue to write to me of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

A Copy of the Agreement to Abdull Bob Cawn from hence meaning from Valore.

I hereby swear laying my Hand on the holy Book of Phurkan chusing God & his Prophet as also the blessed Patriarchs & Alcoran as a Witness & acknowledge Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar *alias* Anaverdy Cawn Governour & Subadar of the Carnateck Payan Gaut under the Jurisdiction of Goloconda & it shall be my constant Study to act & do whatever may be conducive to the to the Welfare Happiness & Firmness of Affairs which may contain Success & prosperity to the Nabob on a firm Footing. I shall observe this & according as it hath been Customary here, shall on no Account act contrary to the Nabobs Word & Writing. Should any Enemy endeavour to disturb the Peace of the Country, I shall yield my Assistance to the Nabob in punishing him according to my Ability. I shall also be in Union with Abdull Bob Cawn Bahadar.

No. 252.

FROM ANTAZEY PUNT DATED THE 14TH. & RECEIV'D THE 17TH. OF JULY. 1754.

I lately sent you a Letter giving you an Account of Mahaphooz Cawn's March from Conjeveram which I hope is come to your Perusal. Since the March of Mahaphooz Cawn I arriv'd in Arcot at the desire of Abdull Bob Cawn in order to detach Danishmend Cawn & explain'd every thing to him agreable to your Direction. By the Blessing of God he is inclin'd to act according to your Pleasure. Danishmend Cawn was encouraged in every Respect to go along with Mahaphooz Cawn with 500 Horse & to that end he was supply'd with Money on Account of the Expence of the Journey, he will therefore proceed in a Day or two to the intended Place. Three or four Days after that Abdull Bob Cawn is determin'd to march to Conjeveram. His Intention is to take a Detachment from Madrass with him & to punish the Enemy. I shall take my Leave of him very soon to wait upon your Honour, then I shall give

you a full Acco^{t}· of Affairs. There came Letters from the Nabob & Mahaphooz Cawn to your Honour which I enclose herein to you. Advise me of the Receipt of them. Mahaphooz Cawns Family is gone to your Place. Abdull Bob Cawns Family will also go there by & by. May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more?

No. 253.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd 17th· July 1754.

I lately sent you a full Acco^{t}· of the Occurrences here in writing which I suppose made you sensible of Affairs. Antazey Punt has now sent you general Account of the Schemes & Methods on Affairs to which I refer you. The said Antazey Punt will soon give you a full & particular Acco^{t} of Affairs. You should sincerely shew your Favour in my Matters. Agreable to your Direction I shall soon go to Conjeveram & then will let you know the same. May Happiness attend you.

What can I say more?

No. 254.

From Abrambelly Cawn at Vizagapatam
rec'd the 18th July 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter which gave an Account of your Health. You was pleas'd to intimate that you had sent away the empty Ship. I must inform you that there was a Debt of Rup^{s}· 1400 principal due upon y^{t}· Ship which arriv'd near the Harbour at Vizagapatam & landed the Company Peons, & then sail'd. However she shall not escape my Hands, whenever I meet with good Luck I shall get my Debt or the next Year provided she arrives at Madras they will be oblig'd to discharge the Debt. The Owners of several Ships which sailed to Madrass and Japherapatam are largely indebted to me. I do not know whether they will come & make up their Accounts with me or not.

In regard to our Affairs I beg Leave to inform you that the Maraters entered this Province which they ruin'd. At present they are gone towards Mechelapatam. As the Monsoon is near at Hand, it is not known whether they will continue on those Parts or return to take their Winter Quarters with a Design to come again at the Time of Harvest. The Nabob left his Family under your Honours Protection and is gone to the Country of Ragozey Bosala. Salabet Jung has sent him a Cowl together with a writing of an Oath and a Discharge concerning the Accounts as also a Letter of Promise to give him the Divans Employ at his Court together with the Subahship of the whole Country of Goloconda or any other Country he may desire, but I can't tell what advice Ragozey will give concerning it. Mons^{r} Bosey &^{c}· French sent a Trusty Person with the holy Book of Evangelist & the Books of Mosas together with a writing of an Oath & a Discharge and desir'd him earnestly to come. Whatever may be determin'd on this Affair I shall let you know. The Roads are entirely stopt. Viziaramraz settled Matters with the French & acts an Enemys part against us. My People cannot go out of Vizagapatam which put me under great Necessity to support the Expence. For this month past all the Elephants, Camels, & Cows are starving especially the Women who get but one Meal a Day besides which the Monsoon is near at Hand. The Chief of Vizagapatam is unwilling to lend any Money of the Companys without an Order but if he was willing I cou'd live happy under your Protection. I borrowed of certain Merchants both Money & Goods the Sum of 5000 Rup^{s}· Be so kind as to get them that Sum from Meerza Abul Hassen Nocquedah out of the Produce of the Grain sent upon the Ship and send their Receipt to me which I shall take as a very great Favour. I gave a Bill of Exchange for the said 5000 Rup^{s}· as also a Duplicate for fear the first Bill should be lost on the Road. Please to order the said Meerza Abul Hassen to pay them 5000 Rup^{s}· either for the first Bill or the

Duplicate. He should not pay them for both the Bills and the Duplicate which would amount to 10000 Rup^{s}. I am in great Want & undergo great Hardships on Account of the Expence, you'll therefore soon supply me with some Money out of the Produce of the Grain sent upon the Ships & likewise out of the Produce of the Ship sold that all the Men & Beasts with me may be reliev'd from their Distress. If it take up some Days before it can be sold, order the Chief of Vizagapatam to lend me some Money proportionable to the Value of the Ship & Grain which will induce me to pray for your Happiness & in so doing You'll relieve us in our Distress. We are under your Protection, it is very strange you should suffer us to starve & undergo Hardships in the Manner aforesaid. You may do as you please for I have laid my Case before You. May a long Life & Happiness attend you.

P.S. Send me the Merchants Receipt by hired Hircars with all possible Speed for he has rec'd some Goods in pawn to the Value of 10000 Rup^{s}. of me. You'll be pleas'd to write to the Chief here to receive my Elephants &^{c}. as a Mortgage & lend me Money according to their Value.

No. 255.

To Mootas Ally Cawn dated the 18th. July 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter with the Copy of your Agreement with Abdull Bob Cawn but you have not fix'd your Seal to it. I therefore have now sent it to the Commanding Officer at Arcot who will forward it to you that you may seal it & return it to him. I shall send you the Letter of Indulgence agreable to your Desire. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 256.

From Nazkabulla Cawn rec'd the 18th. of July 1754.

I lately wrote you a Letter & acquainted you of my Intention to send my Family to your Place & troubled you at the same Time to provide me with a House which Letter I hope is come to your Hands. The Management of Nellore Country is given to Meer Audell Cawn. My Entire Resolution is to come to your Place with my Family which makes me desire you'll order your People to get an House or two & let me know of it that I may then come & have the Pleasure of paying you a Visit. Let your Favours increase.

In a different Hand supposed to be his own Handwriting.

Tho' you are my elder Brother yet you are unmindfull of me. It is necessary that you should shew your Favours.

No. 257.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated July the 18, 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter & observe the Contents. Since the March of Mahaphooz Cawn the Enemy begin to commit Hostilities, tis necessary therefore you should come to Conjeveram My People are ready to join you. By all Means send your Family here, the Fort of Arcot is out of Repair. Order People to do it that no ill Consequence may arise. You have not for a very considerable Time advanced any thing for the Peoples Batta there and at Chengalaput. Do it without Delay. Let me hear of your Health.

No. 258.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 16TH. & REC'D THE 19TH. OF JULY 1754.

I lately sent you a friendly Letter which I believe is come to your Hands. Antazey Punt has now wrote you a Letter which will give you a full Account of Affairs here. Continue your kind Correspondence that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 259.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN REC'D THE 19TH. JULY 1754.

By the Blessing of God this Day being the 12th of July We fix'd our Camp in the Plains of the Fort of Chetpet. Tomorrow we shall decamp & proceed forward. As you are really & favourably inclined towards the Dispatch of my Brother Sarazeldavalas Affairs I think it necessary to inform you some certain Matters which are as follows.

I have accounted the Pay of the Troops who are with me to the 14th. of June last and it amounted to Rups. 150 thousand & odd. Their pay to the Moon of Ramzaw or to the 21st Instant amounts to Rups 70 thousand Rups. so that there is due to them Rupees 220000 and odd. A Discount of 100000 Rups. which you was pleas'd to supply being made the Balance of 120000 Rups & odd will be due to them besides which, from the Moon of Shaval or from the 22d. Instant, I must pay them 20 Days Wages every Month. You have already given several Instances of Friendship and you still continue to do so. You'll be pleas'd to write to Abdull Bob Cawn concerning the Pay of the Troops & consult a proper Method on this Affair that there may be no further Trouble to my Troops in regard to their Expence. It is highly necessary for you to use your Endeavours in this Affair. You are well acquainted with the Manner & Behaviour of the Troops. Agreable to your Desire I have order'd my Family to go to Madrass. I suppose they have set out by this Time for that Place. The Children are of a tender Age especially Mahomed Nooredeen who is of a sickly Constitution. Please to take care of them. Whereever the Air may be agreable to them there you may order them to live.

What can I say more?

No. 260.

FROM ANTAZEY PUNT DATED THE 16TH. & REC'D THE 19TH. OF JULY 1754.

I had the Satisfaction to receive your agreable Letter acknowledging the Receipt of mine which gave an Acco't. of Mahaphooz Cawn's March. You was pleas'd to say that your Sardars wrote to the Contrary in regard to the said March. Let me inform your Honour that by the Blessing of God Mahaphooz Cawn is now arrived in Calashabaca & from thence he has sent a Letter to you which comes inclos'd. I hope it will inform you the same. I suppose the english Sardars have also wrote to you of it. On my Arrival at Arcot I used my Endeavours so as to order Danishmend Cawn to march with the Circar Army to whom a certain Sum of money was paid on Acco't. of the Expences on the Road thro' the Means of the Captain at Arcot. I am of Opinion that he will proceed to Terchenepelly in a Day or two. Your Honour will be pleased to write to the said Captain to press his March. If you think proper you'll also write to the said Danishmend Cawn on this Head that he may soon proceed I shall take my Leave of Abdull Bob Cawn to return to your Place, then I shall give you a full Acco't. of Matters. Agreable to your Direction Mahaphooz Cawn's Family is gone to Madrass. I suppose they are there by this Time. Abdull Bob Cawn assured me that he would send his Family to Madrass & then go to Conjeveram in a short Time. I thought fit to acquaint you with it. May Happiness always attend you.

What can I say more?

No. 261.

FROM BARKEY VENKATARAW RECEIV'D THE 19TH. JULY 1754.

When Mons^{r} Duetal was taken Prisoner at Ranzengada We took a prize of 62 thousand Tanjore Checrams at 10 Finams ℔ each Checram out of which the Nabobs share & that of the English amounted to Checrams 31000 at 15,500 Checrams ℔ each share. This being added to 15500 paid to Morarey for his Share the Total was 46500 Checrams which being deducted there remained 15500 Checrams for the Mayasorians Share, but M^{r}. Clive was then pleas'd to say that he had Occasion for Money on Acco^{t}. of the Expence of the Companys Troops & that I should lend him y^{t} Sum which he promised to repay four Days after. He gave his Word & promise to me in the presence of Yoness Cawn belonging to Morarey and then rec'd the same Sum which he did not repay at the said Place. On his Arrival here I demanded the Payment of him by your Honours Permission to which his Answer was that he had only taken up Rupees 5000 out of the said Sum on his own Acco^{t}. & that the Remainder was paid to the Companys Sardars & Soldiers so that they must repay it. Thus he gave his Final Answer your Honour may remember that I acquainted you with it. The Share to my Masters is Tanjore Checrams 15500 as above which being exch^{d}. into Rupees according to the then Market Price at Fanams 6 ℔ Rupee is Rup^{s}. 25832 in part of which M^{r}. Clive paid Rup^{s}. 5000 which he said was rec'd on his own Acco^{t}. as aforesaid, since which your Honour was pleas'd to let me have out of the Companys Cash on Acco^{t}. of my Expence P. 1100 which is Rupees 4180 according to the market Price. These two Sums amounted to Rup^{s}. 9180 which being deducted out of the said Sum, the Ballance remaining due is Rup^{s}. 16652. I am largely indebted to the several Merchants here & undergo great Hardships for Want of Money for my Expences, it is therefore proper for you to show your Favours to me in an extraordinary Manner and order the payment of the said Ballance without Fail. You are Ingenious & endowed with Justice in every Respect. I have a great Dependance on You & I suffer very much. You'll consider my Quality & support me, accordingly I need not urge much to You.

No. 262.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHAUDAR DATED THE 10TH & REC'D Y^{E} 22 JULY 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your agreable Letter dated the 27th. Ultimo on the 4 Instant. You was pleas'd to say that the King of Tanjore had at several Times withdrawn his Forces & that if he had not done that, the Enemy would have been defeated long ago. I allow this to be true, however what is passed is not to be remembered but as they have now destroyed the Banks of Anacat at Cavarey they & the King of Tanjore became bitter Enemys to each other which induced the King to join me with truth & Sincerity. Probably he may be firm in his Resolution.

I observe that you detach'd a large Force of the English to Conjeveram & that you agreed to advance 1 Lack of Rupees for the expence of Mahauphooz Cawn who was satisfied with it, that there was no Harmony between Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn & that Antazey Punt was sent to Conjeveram that in Case they both decline going the Troops might be immediately detached under the Command of their Sardars & that repeated Letters were sent to them. I look upon this as a Mark of your sincere Affection to me. May God grant you a good Reward. I am sensible that my Brothers or any other Relations could not have so much Favour & sincere Regard for me as your Honour. Your Kindnesses to me shall be remembred during Life. I hope you'll in regard to Friendship continue to write to Mahauphooz Cawn Abdull Bob Cawn & the English Sardars that the Army & the English Troops may soon arrive here. At present we wait for no other Troops than the said Army & the English Force. As the Enemys are at Variance at this Juncture the Arrival of the Army & the

English Troops will be a Means to dispatch the Affair & to encourage the King of Tanjore Tondaman &c. Allies as also to strike a Terror in the Enemy. By the Blessing of God with a large Army We shall use a Method for the Destruction of the Enemy.

You mention'd to me that Capt. Campbell informed you that Abdull Bob Cawn had collected a large Sum, & that you hoped he had sent it to me. Let me inform you that you are very sensible of the Situation of Affairs with me & my Brother Abdull Bob Cawn who is not able to support himself on Acco't. of the large Expence of the Army. I must tell you that notwithstanding the Orders I sent to him for the Payment of the People here I have rec'd no ready Money from him.

You write me that the Killedar of Poonemellee died lately & that the Killee devolves to the Circar's for Government, & that it was customary for the Killedar to keep a constant Force of 200 Peons to take care of the Country desiring me at the same Time to annex the Killee with 14 Villages belonging thereto to Poonemellee Country & to send a Phirmaund for it which you say will be sufficient to discharge the Expences of the Noubet, & you promised to allow the deceas'd Killedars Family for their Expence according as I may write. Your Honour may observe that I am yours as well as the whole Country of Arcot & Tretchenopoly, there is no Manner of Distinction between us. Since it is so is this Affair of any great Consequence? No. Agreable to your Desire I send the Phirmaund enclosed in this & I hope it will come to your Hands. I am unacquainted with the Circumstances of the Killedars Family, you may therefore settle the Allowance for their Expence as you think proper. If I can learn the Situation of their Affairs I shall let you know. You mention'd to me concerning some certain Matters which Antazey Punt communicated to you. As there was no Distinction between us I depended upon your true Friendship & have wrote on that Affair.

You write me also that by Advices from Europe you perceive the Company have a great Esteem & Friendship for me & that by the Ships that are expected to arrive shortly you hoped to hear of something for my advantage & added that you would use your Endeavours to procure the several things I desired. I must acknowledge that the Companys Regard for me was oweing to your Favour. It has been the Custom for all great Men to have a Regard to the Protection which may be offered in the Manner your Honour did. May God grant you a long Life attended with the same Goodness. My Honour & Regard depend upon your Favour. My Hopes of Success in all Affairs are in You.

I lately wrote you what had passed in regard in regard to the Negotiation with Morarey who has now sent his Vackeel to me & the King of Tanjore but the Negotiation is not yet settled. If any thing is determined hereafter I shall let you know. I lately rec'd a Letter from Balazeraw with Assurances of Friendship. There was a Letter in a Bag to you which I have sent thro' the Means of Major Lawrence. I hope it will come to your Hands. Be assur'd of my Inclination & continue to write to me of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

Translate of a Phirmaund under the small Seal of Sarazeldavala Bahaudar *alias* Nabob Anaverdy Cawn dated Moon Ramazan the 17 Hegra 1167 which is the 9th of July 1754.

Whereas the Fort of Poonemellee with 14 Villages belonging to it Jaqueer was delivered to the Charge of Thomas Saunders Bahaudar Rustem Jung Governour of Chinapalam *alias* Madrass from the Year of Phasaly 1163 The Managers & People of the said Fort as also Dasomokeys, Dasapandys, Natavars, & all the Inhabitants of the said Villages as hereby required to pay due Allegiance to the said Governour and to be answerable to him for the just Rents in due Season and Time. Ye are to observe this as a strict Order & act agreable to this Writing

N.B. The Divan attested the Original with his proper Mark as appears in it setting forth that the Copy of this Phirmaund was register'd in his Books the Day & Year above written.

Mustaphey an Officer attested the Original with his proper Mark as appears in it setting forth that the Copy of the Phirmaund was registered in his Books the Day & Year above written.

Huzoor Neveas an Officer attested the Original with his proper Mark as appears in it setting forth that the Copy of the Phirmaund was registered in his Books the Day and Year above written.

No. 263.

FROM MAHOMED ASSADULLA CAWN OLD KILLEDAR OF CHINGALAPUT REC'D THE 23D. OF JULY 1754.

Some time ago you was pleas'd to advise me to make my Application to the Nabob concerning my Affairs & that you should write him also. As the Nabobs Time was employ'd hitherto in setling the Affairs in those Parts he could not return to these Parts with Success which induced me to send my Vackeel to Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn Deputies to the Nabob. This I think was agreable to your Advice. The Vackeel is now negotiating with them. If you at this Juncture favour me with a Letter to the said Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn, I shall take it as a very great Favour as the Affair will then be finished in a favourable Manner. If not you'll please to order this Affair of the Killa to be finished in the Durbar (suppos'd to be in your Presence) that I may do it agreable to your Direction with a contented Heart and be thankfull to you in Rememberance of your Favour. I don't desire the Affair to be finish'd without your Knowledge & Consent. I waited so long in Hopes of your Favour. You'll be pleas'd to think it necessary to shew your Favour to me. Be so good as to favour me with an Answer soon that I may act accordingly. Let your Favour encrease.

No. 264.

TO MAHAUPHOOZ CAWN DATED JULY THE 23D. 1754.

By a Letter from Captain Forbes and Campbell I observe you were arrived at Poloor and are there making Excuses and causing fresh Delay which will certainly ruin the Nabob. Now is the proper Time to attack the Enemy, and not to trifle away Time till the French recruit more Strength. Be Expeditious & dont let the World say that the ill Success of Nabob Annaverdecawn was owing to the Want of Affection and Neglect of his Brother Mahauphooz Cawn.

You are wise what need I urge more ?

No. 265.

FROM ABDULL CAUDER CAWN AT PALEM COTAH DATED THE 12 OF JUNE AND REC'D THE 24TH OF JULY 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that some Time ago I sent you a full Acco$^{t.}$ of the Occurrences here by Sarmast Cawn who in his Letter to me gave me a particular Account of your Favour in regard to my Affair. I observe y$^{t.}$ he at length departed to Abdull Mazead Cawn with your Letters. May God grant you a long Life with Happiness & Victory over your Enemys.

It is some Time since the Enemys attacked & killed Vankatachela pilla Amuldar of Werdachelam in order to take Possession of that Place & they plunder'd him of all the Guns Firelocks &$^{c.}$ Necessaries of War which he had with him. This encouraged them to gather together their Forces from different Parts to take Pallem Cotah. Samaraw the Enemys Amuldar at Werdachel joined himself to the Guard at

Yalawanasore &c. gather'd about 200 of the Marata Horse. The Enemys in Chelembrem have gather'd a Force and sent for about 300 Horse from different Places and are preparing to attack this Fort. They have already sent some Oxloads of Lead to Manargody on the 7th Instant & sent out large Guns & Mortors from Chelembrem and gave out that they will in a Day or two march with a large Force to beseige the Fort. Some Time ago they besieg'd the Fort several Times & fought and fought as well as they could. At length by your Honours Favour and Assistance the Companys Detachment from Devicot arrived here according to your Honours Order and punis'd the Enemys & rais'd the Siege. I hope you'll continue firm in the same Resolution & take care of the Fort & that the Detachment will join me as formerly to punish the Enemy in Time agreable to your Order. I thought it necessary to acquaint you with the Enemys Design for I am unable to overcome in any Respect, besides which I am in great Want of Money to support the Expence. The Wages to the Troops remain unpaid. All the Districts of Werdachel &c. in these parts are in possession of the Enemys except this Fort which they look upon as a Thorn or Rock in their Way & they are therefore endeavouring by all Means to take it. This is a strong Place, there is no other like it in these Parts. Should the Enemys take Possession of it which God forbid they will grow more powerfull & place strong Guards in Werdachelam &c. in which Case it will be a difficult Matter for us to retake the Fort. It is therefore necessary to consult a Method against it beforehand. As you are favourable to me I desire you'll be so good as to dispatch your Letters to the Governour of Fort St. David & the Chief of Devicot as soon as possible to yield their Assistance to me & to join me in time in Case of the Enemys Siege & to punish them & raise the Siege. As you are ingenious & favourable to me I need not urge much to you on this Head. I have nothing farther to add but that I have a Desire of paying a Visit to You. May Happiness & Victory always attend You.

No. 266.

From Antazey Punt dated the 19th. & rec'd the 24th of July 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour yt. News was brought from Pelore which Abdull Bob Cawn has inclosed in his Letter to you. It would be best at this Juncture for the Troops to march to the Assistance of the Nabob with all possible Speed but it is not advisable to abide in the middle of the Road and besiege the Fort. Japherally Cawn never join'd the Enemy but on the contrary he finish'd his Affairs & remaind in Obedience to the Circar. In case the Army should abide there the Enemys from Tervatore and Gengey will join themselves in Polore. As the said Japherally Cawn is disgusted he will in all likelihood join the Enemy which will create Disturbance, Disorder, and a Breach of Promise among all the Killedars whose Displeasure agt. us will be attended with an Advantage to the Enemy. I must therefore beg you'll write to Mahaphooz Cawn as well as to Messrs. Forbes & Campbell Sardars not to molest the Killedar of Pelore who is in obedience to the Circar but on the contrary proceed to Terchenepelly by long Stages and join the Nabob. If it be to your liking please to send a Letter of Indulgence to Japherally Cawn Killedar of Polore agreable to the Form inclos'd that he may then make himself easy. If not he will despair of any Hopes and join the Enemy. I thought fit to give you a full accot. May Happiness attend You.

The Form a Letter of Indulgence.

I had the Pleasure to hear of your true Friendship and attachment to the Affairs of the Circar by a Letter from Abdull Bob Cawn who wherein gave me a full Account of the same. In regard to his Letter I have wrote to Mahaphooz Cawn Messrs. Forbes & Campbell not to molest you on any Account but on the contrary proceed forward. They will certainly act so. Be assured of my Inclination to hear of your Health and write to me of your Affairs.

No. 267.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 19TH. & REC'D THE 24TH. JULY 1754.

I lately sent you a full Account of Affairs. I have now receiv'd a News Paper from Polore which I send enclosed. I suppose your Honours Supply of 1 Lack of Rupees on Account of the Expence of Mahauphooz Cawn & your sending him with a Detachment of the English Troops was to assist the Nabob & go to Tretchenopoly with all possible Speed but if he neglects that & attacks the Killedars on the Road in the manner he has already done & delays the March it will put us to a large Expence & consequently oblige him to demand a further Sum of Money in these parts besides which as the Killedar of Polore is disgusted he will probably join the Enemy. The Enemys from Trivatore, Gengey, will join themselves in Polore which will be a Means to create a Disorder, Disturbance, & Breach of Promise among all the Killedars whose Displeasure against us will be attended with an advantage to the Enemy. Japherally Cawn never joind the Enemy but on the Contrary remain'd in Obedience to the Circar & finish'd his Affair notwithstanding if he is ill used how is it that other Killedars will offer their Submission to us? I must therefore desire you'll write to Mahauphooz Cawn as well as to Messrs Forbes & Campbell Sardars of the English Troops in the strongest Terms not to molest the Killedar of Polore who is in Obedience to the Circar but on the contrary to proceed to Tretchenopoly by long Stages & join the Nabob. Please to send a Letter of Indulgence to the said Japherally Cawn Killedar of Polore agreable to Antazey Punts Application that he may then make himself easy, if not he will despair of any Hopes & join the Enemy. I thought fit to give you a full Account. You are ingenious in every Respect. In future you may do as you think proper.

What can I say more?

News brought by Hircars on the 19th July 1754 at 3 O'Clock in ye. afternoon.

On the 10 Instant at 3 O'Clock in the Evening It was resolv'd by Mahaphooz Cawn to finish Affairs at Polore for 15000 Rups. and on the Retreat of the Enemys Force by the valient Behaviour of our Troops to move forwards to Dasore ¼ Coass Distance from Polore, but in the Interim Mahanend with a small Force went near the Gate of the Fortress there & gave his Orders to the Seapoys to enter the Petta (or Suburb) belonging thereto & plunder it they accordingly entered the Petta jointly with the English Troops & went near Vankataraw Chief Inhabitants House & there they fixed their Mourcha & Battered a House within the Fortress by Gun Shot. At length the said Mahanend & the English Troops fix'd their Mourcha's on all Sides of the Fortress & began to fire very briskly, the People in the Fortress did the same on their Part thus the Attack lasted till the Sun Set. Two of the Europeans were killed & Six of the Seapoys wounded ten of the Men in Fortress were killed or wounded. The Killedar of Carnatick Gada thought yt. the Affair would have been finished & that Mahauphooz Cawn would move toward Dasore which induced him to come down from his Castle as far as the Choultry under the Mount but he hearing of the above Attack advis'd Sydoo Causem to take Possession of the Fortress & move forward immediately after which he return'd to his Castle. Thus the Affair of Polore is Attended with Confusion. It is talked here that as soon as the Fortress is taken Mahauphooz Cawn will march forward & that Babaraw from Wandawashey & Gengey was resolved to march to Polore.

A List of the Mourchas.

Mahanend & the Europeans fixed their Mourcha near the Well at the Petta.

Backtaver Sing fixed his Mourcha by the Sides of the Fortress on the Road to Ternamel.

Seapoys & Europeans fixed their Mourcha near the House of Vankataraw.

Another Body of Seapoys with Guns fixed their Mourcha near Arcot Road.

No. 268.

To Uppa Rajah dated July the 25th. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive the Letter you sent me by Coja Nicoos. Agreable to your Desire I have convers'd with him concerning the Affair of the Negrais & explaind to him our Intentions in cultivating a firm Friendship & Alliance with the King. He seems so well satisfied with what I have said to him that he assures me the King will have no Objections to it. I have therefore wrote to Mr Brooke who has full Power to wait on the King & sign the Treaty. I shall not fail to send some Soldiers & Guns to join your Army. I would have done it now but this Ship belongs to the French which renders it impossible. I have sent a few Curiositys which I desire your Acceptance of. Write me constantly of your Health for I assure you nothing will give me greater Pleasure than to hear of your Happiness Mr. Brooke will inform you of certain Matters. Let the Friendship between us encrease till there be no Distinction.

No. 269.

To the King of Pegue dated the 25th of July 1754.

Since I had the Honour some Time past of paying my Respects to your Majesty Coja Nicoos your Officer arrived here. I have discours'd with him concerning the Negrais [and] explain'd to him the Intentions of the English in settling there. He seems convinced that it is with a perfect Desire of cultivating a sincere Friendship & Alliance with your Majesty & tells me that he does not in the least doubt but when properly represented you will be perfectly easy. I have therefore wrote to Mr. Brooke to wait on your Majesty to conclude this Treaty which is so much for mutual Interest. Agreable to what Coja Nicoos told me I shall send some Soldiers & Guns to join your victorious Army, nothing prevented my now sending them with him but that his Ship belonging partly to the French and hoisting their Colours rendered it impossible. I must desire your Majestys Acceptance of a few Curiositys which I now send. May the Friendship between your Majesty & the English encrease till there is no Distinction & may the Almighty bless your Majesty with a long & happy Reign & the Love of your Subjects.

No. 270.

To Killedar of Tonnamelly dated July the 26th. 1754.

Some Time past I join'd a Detachment of Men to Mahauphooz Cawns Troops to proceed to the Assistance of the Nabob at Tretchenopoly. I am concern'd to hear that Mahauphooz Cawn on his Arrival at Tonnamelly molested you. Be assured that this is contrary to the Inclination of the Nabob & without his Knowledge. I must desire therefore that it may not the least interrupt the Friendship between You which he is greatly pleas'd with. I have wrote him concerning this Affair. Let me hear from you constantly wherein I can be of Service to You and of your Health.

No. 271.

To Japheeir Allee Cawn Killedar of Polore dated July 26th. 1754.

It has been told me that Mahauphooz Cawn has been so indiscreet as to molest you. I must inform you that I formed a Detachment with Mahauphooz Cawn to proceed to the Assistance of the Nabob and order'd my Sardars to behave with the greatest Humanity to every one. As this Affair has happen'd contrary to the Nabobs Inclination I must desire that it may not in the least affect the Friendship that subsists between you. I have wrote him concerning it, and shall be glad to be of service to you. Let me constantly hear of your Health.

No. 272.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated July the 26th. 1754.

After so many repeated Letters wrote and on your Side as many solemn Promises, the Advance of 50000 Rups. here, 50000 to be paid at Devecota, the Assistance of a large Detachment with a suitable Train of Artillary, how great is my Surprise to hear you have lost many Days in exacting Money from the Killedar of Chittaput besieging Poloor & confining the Killedar of Tonnamelly & that you now refuse to march further. I shall make my Sardars suffer for their Imprudence. If Brothers act thus to Brothers what cruelty do they shew their Enemys. I cannot see the Nabob thus ruined, have therefore orderd Capt. Forbes & Campbell to march immediately & must advise the Nabob twas to no Purpose to wait longer for you.

You are wise. What can I say more?

No. 273.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahaudar dated 27th. July 1754.

Tis with great Concern that I must advise you that Mahauphooz Cawn has trifled away his Time at Chittaput in besieging Poloor & confining the Killedar of Trinomalee by which Means he has made those Killedars your Enemys when it ought to have been his Policy to maintain a Strict Friendship with them. He was the 21 Inst. at Trinomalee & refused to go any further so that after repeated Letters I have wrote him & the great Expence I have been at I am at last reduced to the Necessity to order my Troops in case he delays any longer to march without them. The Conduct of your 2 Brothers is so very imprudent that if you suffer it any longer it must end in your ruin. I desire therefore before its too late You'll consult with the Major & write me fully that I may prevent it. Happiness attend You.

No. 274.

From Murtazally Cawn of Valore rec'd the 27th. of July. 1754.

I rec'd your friendly Letter in answer to that of mine & observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to say that the Copy of my Agreement with Abdull Bob Cawn was not sealed with my Seal for which Reason you sent it to the Officer at Arcot to be forwarded to me in order to be seal'd with my Seal & return'd to him that you then might send me a Letter of Indulgence agreable to my Desire. Let me inform you that some time ago I sent the Agreement under my Seal to Abdull Bob Cawn for which reason I sent the Copy of that Agreement inclos'd in a Letter under my Seal to You, but now agreable to your Letter I have sealed the said Copy with my Seal & sent it to you. I am certain that youll now send me a Letter of Indulgence under your Seal & Sign without a Cover to it for I am perfectly easy in every Respect because of your Mediation. Continue your kind Correspondence of Letters that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 275.

From Abramelly Cawn rec'd 29th. July 1754.

I take the Liberty to inform your Honour that I suffered great Hardships to support my Expence for these 2 or 3 Months on Acct. of the Grain being so Dear & the Interception on the Road which oblig'd me to borrow Rups. 5000 of Shaick Mahomed Ally without Interest & to agree with him to pay it in Madrass out of

the Produce of the Grain imported by several Vessells. I must therefore trouble [you] with this to pay it in ready Specia to him out of the Produce of the Grain & Vessell in order that the Bond under my Seal together with his Receipt may be delivered to me which I shall take as a very great Favour & Kindness. As I shall be free or clear from y^{r} Debt I shall lay under a very great Obligation to You. I suffer great Hardship on Account of the Expences of my Family &^{c} I suppose you let the Grain & Vessell remain on Account of the Cheapness which puts me in Distress. I must not mind it cheap or dear but it must serve me in Time of need. If I am supply'd at this Juncture for my Expence I shall content. If they are sold at any Rate I shall look upon it as an Advantage to me. If repeated Remittances of Money are made at present & Money Advanced me by your Circar I can live happy under your Protection. It is very strange that I should suffer Hardships for want of Food. If you are not favourable no Body will help me even with Water in this Place. I have offer'd the worth of thousands for hundreds & yet no one would take it. I have hitherto supported myself under great Hardships, I am not able to subsist myself longer. As you are Ingenious I need not urge to you on that Head. May Health & long Life attend You.

P.S. Shaick Mahomed ally sends Mahomed Mustak to you, please to pay the said Sum to him that I may then get the Bond under my Seal together with a Receipt. I lately wrote to Meerza Abdull Hassen on this Head & sent an order &^{c} to him. Your Honour's People were so good to shew their Care & Diligence which emboldened me to trouble you with this. May Happiness & a long Life attend You.

No. 276.

To Mahomed Assadulla Cawn old Killedar of Chengalpet.
dated July 30th 1754.

I rec'd your Letter & observe the Contents. You mention'd to me concerning your Affair with Abdull Bob Cawn & I must tell you that I never concern myself with Affairs of this Nature but if you have any Business in Madrass let me know.

What can I say more ?

No. 277.

To Antazey Punt dated July 30th 1754.

I rec'd your Letters & observe the Contents. I wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn several Times about sending his Family hither but he instead of doing that sent them to the Palligars Country besides which he did not come to Conjeveram as I desired. My Troops waited in Poonemelly with the Expence of Betta &^{c} to join him in case of his Arrival in Conjeveram, but it was to no purpose. I see no manner of Occasion for you to stay there any longer. You'll therefore return hither.

What can I say more ?

No. 278.

To Sakozey Naick dated August the 2^{d} 1754.

Some Time ago Ramaraw Vackeel deliver'd a writing to me concerning the Discourse which passed between Madam Dupleix and his Majesty, a Copy of which I send enclos'd for your Perusal. Pray let me know whether what he wrote therein was true or false. Dont hide the Truth. Let me hear of your Health.

What can I say more ?

No. 279.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR REC'D AUGUST THE 5TH 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that Meer Abdulreham is in possession of several Villages as Enam in the District of St Thomé from a long Time, but he does not take care of his Family which makes me trouble you with this, hoping you'll order half of the Product of the said Enam to be given to the said Meer for his Maintenance & the other half to his Family, who are coming to you to avoid Hardships. You should think it necessary to shew your Favour in this Affair.

What can I say more ?

No. 280.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 25TH JULY & REC'D AUGST 5TH 1754.

I rec'd a Letter from Mohan Laul Vackeel dated the 19th of June on the 29th a Copy of which I send enclosed. Nabob Shahabedey Cawn Baksheyal Mumalick Son to Nabob Gazedy Cawn deceas'd has spent great Sums of Money & Stores belonging to his Father and grand Father upon the Mogulls Business and oblig'd Mansoorelly Cawn to raise the Siege of Delly and then he employ'd his Time to conquer the Forts of the Jates who prov'd Rebels, notwithstanding the Vizier perverted the Mogulls Mind to an Injustice for a particular Account of which I refer you to the said Copy. I rec'd a Letter from Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 4th of July wherein he tells me that the English Troops join'd him on the 1st of that Month & that he was determin'd to move from Conjeveram on the 5th since which I have rec'd no other Letter from him. I am impatient Night & Day to receive it. The sooner the said Mahaphooz Cawn comes hither with the English Troops the better & properer. I lately mention'd to You that Pertapa Sing has sent away Morareys Vackeel with a Bill upon certain Conditions &c If any thing happens hereafter I shall let you know. By the Blessing of God I have taken Leave of Pertapa Sing on the 22d & entered into the Tent this Day being the 25th I shall march forward. The Enemy on hearing a Report of the March of the Victorious Army was struck with Fear & Confusion decamped [to] Chercarpalam to the Eastward of the Fort of Terchenepelly & fixed it in the Plains of Retmeta Mount within 3 Coases from the Mount. We have a good Prospect of Affairs. By the Blessing of God Victory attends You and me. It is specify'd in the Books of Instructions that a true Friendship will last for ever. By the help of God you are my ingenious Friend & favourable Ally. I thank God for it every Minute. Thro' the Mercy of God I have greater Thoughts in my Mind. May Happiness attend You.

In Aneverdys Cawn's own Hand.

If the Ships have brought any fine Pictures Please to let me have some.

A Copy of a Letter from Mohanlal Vackeel dated the 21st of June & rec'd the 19th of July 1754.

I lately wrote to You & gave an Account of Monsr Bussys Departure towards Mechlepatam in order to settle the Affairs of Cheacacole Country. I am now to inform you that We rec'd Advice on the 19th that the great Mogull was displeas'd with Nabob Shababedey Cawn Bahadar Son to Gazedey Cawn deceased. Cawn Cawnan Vizier who hated the said Shahabedey Cawn prevailed on the Mogull to write to Mansoorelly Cawn the late Vizier desiring him to come [to] him with a Promise to appoint him an Absolute Agent & continue the said Cawnan Cawn in the Viziers Station to settle the Country, to which the said Mansoorelly Cawn returned an Answer & told him that if he takes the Field & proceeds setling the Country he would then go to him. On this the Mogull march'd & proceeded towards Ahabarabad on the other Side

of Jamna River 16 Coases Distance from Delly & issued out an Order to the said Shahabedey Cawn to come to him. It is said that on the 25th. of May the said Shahabedey Cawn set out as if he was inclin'd to go to the Mogull but it so happen'd that he plunder'd the Mogulls Camp on one Side & Malarzey Holacar did the same on the other. At length the Mogull returned to Delly by which it seems that Shahabedey Cawn & the Morata will have the Management of Affairs in their Hands. If I hear any thing further I shall let you know.

No. 281.

From Barkey Vankatarow dated Auguts the 6th. 1754.

I had a great Dependance on your Honour but my bad Luck would not let you dispatch the Affair & make me happy. I have hitherto lived with good Credit & was esteem'd a Man of Business which is well known to the World as well as to your Honour. Notwithstanding such was my Misfortune that I am disregarded by both Parties. I have about 50 men, 5 or 6 Horses some Oxen &c. with me. The People who lent Money to defray their Expences are pressing me to that Degree that it is impossible for me to express it herein to you which makes me beg you'll grant a Chit to the People who are ready to return to our Country. You'll also take under your Charge the Horses & Weapons with me, then I shall quit this World & turn Phakeer & live wherever your Honour may be pleas'd to order in which case I shall be clear from the Molestation of my Creditors, then I shall not trouble you about my Expences but on the contrary I shall be busy in offering my Prayers for your Prosperity. I desire you'll not be angry because I am thus troublesome to you always. Be so kind as to shew your Favour & preserve me. If you continue to neglect me in the same Manner & delay from Time to Time I think it would be better for me to take Poyson & put an End to my Life. Your Honour is ingenious. Yesterday I told some things to your Linguister, do as you think fit.

No. 282.

From Murtazally Cawn rec'd the 8th. of Augst. 1754.

I rec'd your Letter lately sent me wherein you was pleas'd to say that I should seal the Copy of the Agreement given by me to Abdull Bob Cawn and send it in order that you might send me a Letter of Indulgence under your Seal & Sign. Agreable to your Request I have sealed the said Copy & sent it to you & am certain you have rec'd it but you have not yet sent the Letter of Indulgence. I am in expectation of the same. As the Word & promise of the English Nation is as firm as the print upon a stone especially your Honours, I don't doubt but that you'll send it under your Seal & Sign according as your Honour have wrote me. I am easy in every Respect because of your Mediation.

What can I say more?

No. 283.

From Mudamiahs Nephew rec'd the 8th. of August 1754.

After they carry'd my Uncle Prisoner I gave you a full Account of the Troubles & Hardships that happened by a Writing which I suppose is come to your Perusal. I never heard of any Body that ever met with the like Misfortune in this World which is impossible for me to express to you. Mahomed Cawn our Enemy join'd Chenda Saib before, afterwards he join'd the french Governour &c. & settled Matters with them & then plundered the District of Chelembrem & he still continues to Act the Enemys part, of which your Honour is very sensible. At length my Uncle consulted a Method in a private Manner to get out of Pondicherry & to that End he made some Preparations in Cuddalore of which the said Mahomed Cawn heard & sent to acquaint the french Governour with it in a secret Manner. On this, the Governour was enraged

& sent for my Uncle into his Presence in the Midnight & reproved him for his Intentions to maintain a Friendship with the English Sardars & told him that he had sent him a Letter before with a Cowl from Morarey not to maintain a Friendship with Nabob Aneverdy Cawn but if he acted contrary to it he should meet with his Desert, & he told him further that since he did not mind what he had said he must pay him the two Years Rent of Chelembrem, to which my Uncle answered that he had not so large a Sum in his Hands. On this, he ask'd his Man out of the Castles of Gengey which was the worst to take away a Man's Life soonest. He answer'd that the Castle of Razagade was the worst, upon which he at the same Time he order'd him to be carried to Gengey in a private Manner to be confined in the said Castle. Soon after his Confinement, he got a Feaver. On this one of the Hatmen went to him & told him that it was better to bleed but my Uncle objected to it & said that it was not proper to do it upon the Hill & added that it was not a common Custom with the Musselaman. God knows what was that wicked Governours Order, for there were 4 Men appointed to press my Uncle for Complyance. At length they bled him which threw him into a Swoon or Distemper that has not the feeling of a Pinch and he died with that Sickness. Thus the Enemy extended his Hatred. Mahomed Cawn resides in Chelembrem and from thence he sent his Son to Tanjore to consult a Scheme agt. me. He is not unmindfull in using his Endeavours to hurt me. My Dependance is first upon God & then upon your Honour. My Uncle declared his Will that your Honour was my Benefactor in every Respect and that whatever you may be pleas'd to order, I should act accordingly. As your Honour is my Protector, I am ready to obey whatever you may be pleas'd to order. Let me know your Directions concerning myself. May Happiness & a Long Life attend You.

No. 284.

To the King of Tanjore dated Augst. the 9th. 1754.

Sambuzey Punt arrived here under the Character of your Vackeel but did not according to Custom bring a Letter from You certifying the same. Advise me if he is so. I talk with him concerning Affairs. He told me Madam Dupleix had just before he left Tanjore wrote a Letter to the Vackeel you employ'd at Pondicherry concerning Affairs. Surely he would not tell me a falsity. I desire you will send me that Letter, also 5 different Receipts for the 5 Years. prest. Account. Devicota part has been paid to Ramrou, the Remr. shall be paid to the Person you appoint. I before advis'd you that a new Governour was coming to Pondicherry. He is arriv'd & Mr. Dupleix has no further Charge of the Government. I shall write you what more I may hear. Write me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice.

No. 285.

To Nabob Annaverde Cawn dated August the 9th. 1754.

I am concern'd to tell you that Mahauphooz Cawn remains at Fort St. David our Troops having been oblig'd to march without his. After which I have wrote to you & him on this Subject, what can I say more? Monsr Godeheu is certainly appointed Governour of Pondicherry. He proposes Peace & will probably write to You. Let me know whether it is agreable to you that I should negotiate with him for You. If it is send me a Power to do it & in Answer to his Letter write him so. By the Blessing of God I hope Affairs will terminate with Success & you be happy.

No. 286.

From Japherally Cawn Killedar of Polore dated the 17th & rec'd the 11th. Augt. 1754.

I had the Honour to receive your Letter & to observe the Contents. You was pleas'd to intimate yt. Mahaphooz Cawn had attack'd my District without Reason

that the Troops you ordered to go along with him were for the Assistance of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar & that you commanded your Sardars to behave civilly to every one & you desired that We should not be slack in our Friendship promising at the same Time to write to the Nabob & that you should be glad to be of Service to me. Let me take the Liberty to inform your Honour that out of Respect to the Nabob I did not on any Account neglect to please Abdull Bob Cawn & to finish the Affairs of the Tax &c. with him. Notwithstanding Mahaphooz Cawn shew'd his Dislike to me without Cause which damaged my District. This gave me a great deal of Uneasiness because I remain'd in Obedience which was not regarded. Thus I despair'd of Hopes but in the Interim the Arrival of your said Letter gave me a great deal of Encouragement. I am clear of Apprehensions at present & am perfectly easy. As your Honour is naturally addicted to Truth & Fidelity I am certain that you'll be inclin'd to my Affairs. I am Yours in every Respect & I am not of a different Mind but on the contrary I am firm in Obedience & shall not deviate in any Shape. I desire youll be so favourable as to continue your kind Correspondence of Letters. On my Part I shall continually write to you of my Affairs. Let your Favours encrease.

No. 287.

FROM THE KILLEDAR OF TERNAMEL DATED THE 7TH. & REC'D THE 11TH. AUGST. 1754.

I had the Honour & Satisfaction to receive your Letter of Encouragement. I must inform you that Mahaphooz Cawn with his own Army as also with the English Sardar & Troops arriv'd here. I went out to pay a Visit to him. At that Time I made him a Prest. as customary. He fixed his Camp near Nohal Conda & entered the Tent & then dismiss'd me. The next Morning he came to review the Fort & Bastion which the French lately built and as soon as he had done that, he came to my House. I then put my children upon his Feet & made him a Present. At the Time of his Departure from the House I presented him with my Horse which he accepted & shew'd me the necessary Favours, afterwards he desir'd me to supply him for the Expence of his Troops. As it is an improper Season it was impossible to collect even a Daum, Notwithstanding I in complyance with his Desire, used my Endeavours to borrow 2000 Rups. which I paid on Account of the said Expence. The 3d Day Bakatavar Sing Subadar of the Seapoys (whose daily Allowance had been stopt by the Nabobs Order) began to press & trouble me for the Payment of 3 Mos. Allowance to that Day. At length Mahaphooz Cawn intending to carry that Subadar along with him order'd me to pay him 2000 Rups. the ensuing Day without Fail & another Sum of 3000 Rups. six Weeks after as he intended to carry the Subadar with him. I agreed to it & on the Day of the March paid 2000 Rups. but the Subadar did not begin the March on the contrary he stay'd 5 Days & then moved. At that Time Mahapooz Cawn's Army arrived in Fort St. David. I hear that the Subadar is arrived at Sankarapore, where the Enemys Troops forced him & after a Skirmish every one retired to the respective Place of Encampment so that the Subadar is at present in Sankarapore. I can't tell to what Place he will go. I regard your Honour as the Nabob & if any thing happens hereafter I shall write to you. May Happiness attend You.

No. 288.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED THE 9TH. & REC'D THE 12TH OF AUGUST. 1754.

I lately sent you repeated Letters & gave you an Account of my Arrival in Fort St. David as also of my not getting the Money there and of the Armys Disturbance because the Money was not paid according to the Agreemt. & of my Reconciliation with them except a few wicked Jamadars who pressed me for Pay & lay'd down the Service. I likewise gave you an Acct. of some other Particulars all which I hope you have observ'd. I must now inform you that my Brother Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar

has sent Mahomed Ebrar to Accompany me to him, for a particular Acco^{t}· of which I refer you to M^{r}· Stark's Letter. I arriv'd here According to your Letter & my firm Resolution is to go to Terchenepelly but I am plagued very much on Account of the Expence of the Army. You'll be pleas'd to write to M^{r}· Starke to supply me for the Expence & send me away.

What can I say more?

In Mahaphooz Cawns own Hand.

There is a Ballance of 48000 Rup^{s}· due according to your Agreement. Please to write to the Governour of Fort S^{t}· David to pay it that I may march to Terchenepelly without Delay.

No. 289.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED THE 4TH·
& REC'D THE 12TH· AUGUST. 1754.

Your Honour agreed to pay 100 thousand Rup^{s}· 50 thousand whereof you sent to Conjeveram & for the remaining 50 thousand you wrote me that it should be paid in Fort S^{t}· David. On my Arrival at S^{t}· David M^{r}· Stark told me that I should go to Devicot & receive the Money there. I agreed with the Jamadars to pay the Money to them in S^{t}· David agreable to your Letter but as I could not get it there the Troops began to molest me on Account of their Pay & they put a Stop to my Proceeding. I entreated Mess^{rs}· Forbes & Campbell very much to wait for me only one Day & promised in the mean Time to settle Affairs with them & begin the March, but they did not care to hear me, on the contrary they marched forward in Haste. I was left alone in S^{t}· David. By the Blessing of God I prevailed on every one with Intreaties except Shaick Mohayedeen, Nattey Cawn & Mahomed Abdulla Jamadars who were wicked & press'd me in a hostile Manner for Pay. They lay'd down the Service of their own Accord. The reason of my Detention in S^{t} David was on Acco^{t}· of the above Molestation & the Accounts. This Day I rec'd Advice that your Sardars cross'd Coladam River. I arrived here according to your Letter but have not got even a Days Sustenance with me. I desir'd M^{r}· Starke to order a Party of Seapoys &^{c}· with me till I cross'd the River but he gave me a plain Answer that he could neither spare a Man or Dodoe without your Orders. I am here at present without Stores or Money for the Expence. Shew such Favours as may enable me to go & arrive with the Nabob.

What can I say more?

In Mahaphooz Cawn's own Hand.

If the Governour pays me the Money according to your Letter I shall march at the Head of my Troops. I sent Word to M^{r}· Starke that if the Money was not to be got to send me away upon a Ship but I have not yet rec'd his Answer. I shall let you know whatever may be resolv'd on hereafter.

No. 290.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN DATED & REC'D THE 12TH· AUGST· 1754.

By the Blessing of God I fix'd my Tent in the Plains of Tervenapatam *alias* Fort S^{t}· David on the 25th· of July & shall march forward from hence. As you are sincerely or favourably inclined to the Affairs of my Brother Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar & mine, I think it necessary to tell you how Matters stand which are as follows.

I have accounted my Troops pay to the 22^{d}· of Shaban which is the 14th· of June & it amounted to 150 & odd thousand Rup^{s}· which being added to 70 thousand Rup^{s}· the Amount of Moon Ramazan (which ends the 21st July) makes the Sum of 220 &

odd thousand Rup^{s}· a hundred thousand Rup^{s}· [of] which was ordered by you to be paid. There will be a Ballance of 120 & odd thousand Rup^{s}· Besides this, I must pay them 20 Days Wages commencing the Moon Shavall (which begins the 22^{d}·). The Troops are in great Distress on Acco^{t}· of their Expence. I hope therefore that you'll consult such Method that may releive them in their Wants.

What can I say more ?

No. 291.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR
DATED THE 2^{D}· & REC'D THE 12TH· OF AUGUST 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your agreable Letter dated the 10th· July with the List of the Villages of Terpasore and the Jaqueer of Poonemelly Fort inclos'd after a long Expectation on the 28th· You mention'd to me that you have not rec'd my Letters. Let me inform you that I lately sent you repeated Letters from Tanjore which I hope are come to your Hands either later or sooner. If I neglect to write to you, is there any Body else endow'd with a sincerer Friendship & Faith that I may write to him? Indeed I have no other but your Honour. The Relyance I have on You cannot be expected from my Brothers or Relations as the Circumstances of my Brothers are well know to You. In short I must acknowledge that your Favour & sincere Friendship to me are so great that it is impossible for me to express them Fully either by Pen or Tongue. Your Kindness will remain in my Memory as long as I live. I observe that you sent a strong Detachment along with Mahaphooz Cawn & that you supply'd him with Money according to his Desire & that he march'd from Conjeveram by your insisting on it. This I look upon as a very great Favour. I am sensible that you are not wanting in your Aid & Assistance to me, you have more thoughts of my Affairs than myself, you'll therefore continue to write to Mahaphooz Cawn & English Sardars pressingly that they soon may arrive here. I waited just 2 months in Tanjore in Expectation of their Arrival but finding them dilatory I took Leave of the King of Tanjore on the 22^{d}· of July and entered the Tent in Company with Manozey on the 25th·. We encamp'd within 6 Coasses from Tanjore towards Terchenepelly and remain there till the Remainder of the Tanjore Army joins us. As We shall have an Engagement with the Enemy at this Juncture, the sooner Mahaphooz Cawn & the English arrive the better. It is highly necessary that you should be pressing on this Account. At present the Enemy seems to be weakened in a worse Situation. By the Blessing of God they will soon meet with their Desert.

I observe also that the English Troops are arriv'd by the Europe Ships & that besides the former Force more or a large Number. This I reckon as a particular Mark of Gods Mercy and am greatly encourag'd by this News. By the Blessing of God I am in hopes that all Affairs will meet with Success thro' your honest Intentions & Favour.

What you mention in regard to my Brothers is just & genuine, indeed the Enemy can do no more than what they have done. Their erronious Proceedings & Self Conceitedness are very great, they displeas'd me before, notwithstanding As they have done the same at present to your Honour who is so sincere to us I am very much displeas'd with them. By the Blessing of God I shall soon be easy in regard to the Affairs here, then I shall proceed settling all Affairs according to your liking.

I observe likewise that the French Governour at Pondicherry is turn'd out & that another Man is appointed in his Room. It would be better if the said Governour was gone out of this Country but I must desire you to let me know fully what was the Result of the French King about making an End of the War.

You mention'd to me that some Villages belonging to Terpasore greatly interfer'd with those of Poonemelly & that you inclos'd a List, but that their Value may be wrong desiring me at the same Time to send You Phirmaunds for them & Manamangalam at the Rates the Circar let them for to remain under the charge of

the Company till their Debt is paid. You mention'd to me also that if I send another Phirmaund in the same Manner for Covalong, Chengalpet, Terpasore & Conjeveram it would be for the Circars Advantage. I must inform your Honour that I have not got the Books of the Arcot Country by me, that I may be acquainted with the just Revenues of those Villages &c. which induced me to send you a plain Saned for the said Villages of Manamangalam, Covalong & Chengalpet exclusive of the Jaqueers, the Enams & daily Allowances, inclos'd in this to you. Mahaphooz Cawn demands Conjeveram Country to be delivered in pay of his Troops. To make him easy I promised him by a Letter to deliver it to him, accordingly I think it proper to assign the said Country to him, for a While. The remaining Villages of Terpasore together with Nellore Sararapelly &c. must necessarily be kept to defray the Expence of the Troops under Abdull Bob Cawn. However I am ready to act according to your Pleasure in every Respect without any Excuse as there is no Distinction between us. I thought fit to give you a full Account of the Matter. As you are a great Sardar & gave your Protection to me, I am in firm Hopes that you'll do every thing which may be conducive to my Benefit. In reality We have both one Life in two different Bodies in which case all that belongs to me is Yours. I lately sent a Phirmaund for the Fort of Poonamelly together with the Villages of its Jaqueers in your Name. Be assured of my Inclination and write to me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more ?

In Aneverdy Cawn's own Hand.

Antazey Punt will inform you some certain Matters. You'll think it necessary to shew your Favour in dispatching them. The sooner the Reinforcement sent by your Honour arrives here the better or more advantageous to Affairs.

P.S. I have wrote a Letter to Abdull Bob Cawn concerning an Order to be given to the Amuldar of the several Districts & sent it to Antazey Punt.

A Saned under the small Seal of Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar Shahamet Jung *alias* Aneverdy Cawn dated Moon Shaval the 10th. Hegra 1167 which is July the 31st. 1754.

Be it known unto the Dasamokeys, Dasapandys, Canoogoes, Natavars, Mokedems, Plowmen & Inhabitants of Chengalpet, Covelong, & Manamangalam Countrys.

Whereas the said Countrys were mortgaged to Thomas Saunders Bahadar Rustem Jung Governour of Madras in payment of the English Companys Debt (the Jaqueers the Enams & the daily Allowance therein are excepted) from the Year of Phasaly 1164 & agreed they should remain in the Possession of the Company till their Debt be paid. Ye are therefore hereby required to pay their Allegiance to the said Governour & be answerable to him for the reasonable Rents thereof in due Season & Time. Observe this as a strict Order & act agreable to this writing.

N.B. The Divan, Mustophey & Huzoor Neveass attested the Original with their respective Marks as appears in it, setting forth that the Copy of this Saned was registered in their Books on the 11th. of Shaval Hegra 1167 which is the 1st. August.

A Saned under the small Seal of Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar Shahamet Jung *alias* Aneverdy Cawn dated Moon Shaval the 10th. Hegra 1167 which is July the 31st. 1754.

Be it known unto the Dasamokeys, Dasapandys, Canoogoes, Natavars, Mokedems, Plowmen & Inhabitants of the Terpasore Country.

Whereas Cootembaca &c. seven Magans under the said Country as ℔ the Particulars hereunder written was mortgaged to Thomas Saunders Bahadar Rustem Jung Governour of Madras in Payment of the English Companys Debt (the Enams

& the daily Allowances therein is excepted) from the Year of Phasaly 1164 & agreed that the said Magans should remain in the Possession of the Company till their Debts be paid. Ye are therefore hereby required to pay Allegiance to the said Governour & be answerable to him for the Reasonable Rents thereof in due Season & Time. Observe this as a strict Order & act agreable to this writing.

The Particulars of the Magans Viz^{t}.

Cootembaca Magan containing			Villages	15
Tinnelore—	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	13
Poolley—	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	18
Poroor—	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	4
Pallaveram	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	19
Amerembad	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	12
Wallore	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	D^{o}.	3
7 Magans.			Villages	84

N.B. The Divan, Mustophey, & Huzoor Neveass, attested the original with their respective Mark as appears in it setting forth that the Copy of this Saned was Registered in their Books on the 11th. Shaval Hegra 1167 which is the 1st of Augst. 1754.

No. 292.

From Mahaphooz Cawn dated the 6th. & rec'd the 12th of Augst. 1754.

Agreable to your Honours Letter I entered into a firm Resolution to march to these Parts and accordingly arrived at S^{t}. David. You wrote me more than once that the remaining 50 thousand Rup^{s}. should be paid in the said Place. Mess^{rs}. Forbes & Campbell gave their word & Promise to my Troops that as soon as they arrived at the said Place to pay them to the Moon Ramazan (which ends the 21st. July) & then to pay a daily Allowance to them, but on my Arrival at S^{t}. David M^{r}. Stark gave me a plain Answer that he rec'd no Order nor was he able to get me even a Dodoe. As I could not get the Money the Troops molested me to the highest Pitch & put a Stop to my further March of which I suppose you have hear'd by other Hands. I earnestly intreated the said Officers to wait only for one Day & promised in the Mean Time to settle Affairs with them & begin the March but they did not care to hear me, on the Contrary they march'd forward in Haste. By the Blessing of God I prevail'd on every one with Intreaties except a few Jamadars who were wicked & press'd me in a hostile Manner for pay. These lay'd down the Service of their Own Accord. At present I lay at a great Distance from the bound Edge of Fort S^{t}. David. The Enemys have their Guards in different Parts especially by Bonagary at which Place they have about 1000 Seapoys & 5 or 600 Horse &^{c}. ready to intercept the Passage. On my Part I have no Artillary with me. I must cross three Rivers. The Want of Money to pay the Expence of the Troops puts me under a great Hardship. I have not got even a Days Sustenance with me. I shall be firm in my Intention to assist the Nabob during Life. Agreable to your Letter I arriv'd here & lay without necessary Stores or Money to support the Expence. Shew such favours to me as may enable me to go & arrive with the Nabob.

What can I say more?

No. 293.

From Mahomed Ebrar Cawn rec'd the 12th. Aug$_{st}$. 1754.

I beg Leave to inform your Honour that this Day being the 8th. of Aug^{t}. I arriv'd in Fort S^{t}. David agreable to an Order from Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar to carry Mahaphooz Cawn to him, the said Mahaphooz Cawn is firmly bent to march to-

Terchenepelly but the want of Money to pay the Expence of the Troops rendered him unable to move. You'll therefore order the remaining Part of the Money agreed on to be paid soon that I may then carry him with me. There is no doubt or Delay in the March of the Army. Antazey Punt will inform you concerning me. The Reason of so long Delay in the March of the Army was because that the Money was not paid. As soon as it is, the Army will March without any further Delay. May Happiness attend You.

No. 294.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN IN HIS OWN HAND REC'D THE 13TH AUGT. 1754.

This Day being the 26th. of July I rec'd Advice that Mahaphooz Cawn on the 23d. moved from Mannalore Petta lying within one Stage on the other Side of Ternamel. By the Blessing of God he will soon join the Nabob. Antazey Punt has taken Leave of me who will inform you of every thing I told him, as also of what he saw with his own Eyes very fully. By all Means my Hopes of Promotion & Happiness depends on Your Favour. You'll therefore do whatever may be conducive to dispatch the Circars Affairs with Success & settle the Country. As Danishmend Cawn was detach'd to the Nabob there is but a small Army left with me, you'll therefore send a proper Force & give a strict Order to the Sardar who may command to act according to my Direction about settling the Country Affairs but not to demand fresh Orders from your Honour upon every Occasion. If I remain only in one Place it is impossible to settle the Country and raise the Money. Before We take the Forts of Wandawashy, Calava, Dasore Castle & Talar there is no Possibility [of accomplishing] the above Design for the Enemys People are continually gathering together in those Forts & Disturb the Circars Country. By the Blessing of God & your Favour they may be taken very easily. I must desire you to send the necessary Stores along with the Troops to attack the Forts & take them. I hope the consideration of Affairs at Terchenepelly will not anyways impede this Affair. There is a sufficient Force in Terchenepelly by your Favour. If you endeavour to defend & support this Country & to take Possession of the said Forts it may be deem'd a great & additional Support to the Nabob. I must repeat that there is no such a thing as settling the Country before the Forts of Wandawashey & Calava are taken. I think it necessary to acquaint you with it. You'll soon send me a satisfactory Answer to this. I shall soon be at Conjeveram & then I shall bring my Family with me. As soon as the above Design is put in Execution I shall proceed thro' the Country to collect the Peishcash Money from the Zemeadars & Killedars. There is a large Debt due to the Company, besides which I am very much indebted to the Troops & likewise to those of the Nabob in the Fort of Terchenepelly he having sent an Order to pay them. I must therefore entreat your Honour to give a positive Order to the Sardar whom you may send along with your Force to accompany me with his Command wherever I may march. In finishing those Affairs the Company will get some Money then You'll be convinc'd of my honest Action. I thought it a proper Time to communicate all the Particulars to You. Ninar must answer for the Circars Accounts but Sampetrow (who never likes the Welfare of the Nabob & consequently was displeas'd or tired to see his Happiness) protects him by which Encouragement he remains in your Place. I desired you before by Letters to send him to me & I now intreat you'll be so kind as to send him & others who must also answer for the Circars Accounts. I have delivered a List of these People to Antazey Punt. Please to send them to me. I sent for Antazey Punt from Conjeveram that he might be fully acquainted with my Affairs to represent them to you in a proper light & also to see Danishmend Cawn march to Terchenepelly. Antazey Punts Delays in his Return to your Place was upon Danishmend Cawn's Account. The said Antazey Punt was fully acquainted with all Affairs. He informed me very fully of your favourable Intention to settle my Affairs which encreas'd my Hopes in You. May God grant you a long Life attended with the same Favour.

What can I say more?

No. 295.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED THE 19TH. OF JULY & REC'D THE 13TH. AUGT. 1754.

I rec'd the several Letters you sent me & return'd full Answers to You which with Antazey Punts Letter I suppose made you sensible of the Matter.

Agreable to your Direction I moved & arriv'd in the Garden of Roy Dacanaram in Order to go to Conjeveram but the sending of the Troops to the Nabobs Assistance was to be minded before all other Affairs. I have sent for Antazey Punt from Conjeveram upon that Account & determined that Danishmend Cawn should march with 500 Horse to the Nabob. The Wages of the said Horse to the 24th. of Moon Ramazan which is the 16th. of July 1754 amounted to 100 thousand Rupees in part of which I have ordered 40 thousand Rupees in ready Money & 60 thousand by Bills from Meer Audeil Cawn Renter of Saravapelly. This Renter hath already satisfied the said Horse in regard to the Money & the Bills. On this the said Danishmend Cawn entered the Tent to march on the 18th. By the Blessing of God the Nabobs Forces were dispersed for Want of Pay. To prevent the like Disorder to the said Horse I ordered half a months Pay every Month on Chengalpet Country to be paid them. This I did that there might be no Manner of Difficulties about their Expence or to encourage them to exert themselves to the utmost along with the Nabob.

Now I see no Manner of Impediment to hinder my Marching to Conjeveram. The Feast of Ramazan is two Days longer. After the Celebration of that Feast I shall march to the said Place. My entire Resolution is to go there agreable to your Advice & to take with me a strong Detachment which you was pleas'd to order & then as it is the Beginning of New Year proceed to settling the Country & punish the Enemy in Order to get Money by it to discharge the Arrears of my Troops & to send a Supply to the Nabob to the Utmost of my Ability as he is in great Distress on Account of the Expence. I am yours & addicted to your Advice & Counsel which you are continually bestowing in the Nabob's Affairs & Mine. By all Means I am Obedient to your good Advice of which I hope Antazey Punt who is now returning to you will inform you fully.

You was pleas'd to say that the District of Conjeveram should be assign'd in Payment of the Troops under Mahaphooz Cawn but I must inform you that some Time ago I delivered Manamangalam Country producing 12 thousand Pags. a Year to the charge of the said Mahauphooz Cawn's People in Paymt. of his Troops. Now agreable to your Advice I have delivered the Districts of the two Conjeveram at the Rate let out to Walley Mahomed Cawn which is 50000 P. according to Mahaphooz Cawns Request to the charge of Abdull Maley Cawn Nephew or Relation to him that he may remitt the Revenues thereof every Month on Accot. of the Expence of the said Troops.

You was pleas'd to say also that after the Armys March towards Terchenepelly the Wicked Enemy would endeavour to disturb the Country so that I should send my Family to Madrass. I have the same Intention & as you are so sincere & favourable to our House & was pleas'd to write me as above I have sent Mahaphooz Cawn's Family. By the Blessing of God I shall also send my Family in a short Time. I shall soon be at Conjeveram. Antazey Punt will inform you fully concerning it.

The Fort of Chettore lies in the midst of the Palligars Bounds & it is now in the Possession of the Circar. By all Means it must be fortyfy'd, there are no Guns upon that Fort, which make me to desire you'll buy five good Guns or as many as can be bought & let me know the Price that I may send it to You.

As to one hundred thousand Rups. which you advanced on Accot. of Mahaphooz Cawn's Troops, Antazey Punt desired an Order to be given. I have therefore drawn out an Order on Terpasore & delivered it to Antazey Punt who will settle the Kists that the Money may be paid Accordingly.

In regard to the Betta &c. to the Companys Troops in several Forts I am considering to order the Paymt. thereof on Terpasore country that it may be paid them every Month out of that Country to prevent all Manner of Complaints. If you like it

let me know that I may send an Order also to the Amuldar there on this Account. I am always thinking of this that the Betta of the Company's Troops may be paid which induc'd me to write so fully to You. Send me an Answer as soon as possible.

What can I say more?

AN ORDER UNDER THE SMALL SEAL OF ABDULL BOB CAWN TO WALLEY MAHOMED CAWN AMULDAR OF TERPASORE.

Whereas the Governour was pleas'd to lend 100 thousand Rupees on Acco^{t} of the Expence of the Troops under Mahaphooz Cawn which I order on Terpasore & Districts to be repay'd out of their Revenues in the Year of Phasaly 1164. You are therefore hereby required to pay that Sum to the Hon'ble Company & get a Receipt under the Governour's Seal that I may account with You for it according to this Order & the Receipts in the Accounts there *alias* the said Country. Observe this as a strict Order & act agreable to it. Dated the 18$^{th.}$ July 1754.

N.B. The Original was attested by the Divan Mustophey & Huzoor Neveass with their respective Marks as appears in it setting forth that the Copy of this Order was registered in their Books on the 19$^{th.}$ of July 1754.

No. 296.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED 17$^{TH.}$ JULY & REC'D THE 13 OF AUGUST 1754.

I lately wrote you an Account of the Arrival of Morareys Vackeel here by which I suppose you observ'd the Matter. The Vackeel has now settled the Negotiation & obtain'd Leave to depart with a Bill of 3 Lacks of Rupees upon certain Conditions. Morareys Agreement was that on the Return of the Vackeel to march away to Balagat Country at the Head of his Army. I have enclosed you the Copies of the Agreements that passed between us for your Perusal. You'll now be acquainted with the Particulars thereof. As Morarey will go away to Balagat the Mayasorians have lost their Senses & lay encamp'd with Confusion. By the Blessing of God this is a proper Time to punish & extirpate the Enemy. You'll be so kind as to write repeated Letters pressingly to the Sardar of the English Troops to come here soon. As you are mindfull of this Affairs in every Respect it would be needless for me to write on this Head. I am prodigiously thankfull for your Kindness which is far beyond what I can express to You. I shall remember your sincere Friendship as long as I live. By the Blessing of God the Europe Ships are arriv'd in your Place, I hope therefore that you'll agreable to your Letter favour me with some Rarities. Be assured of my Inclination & continue to write to me of your Health.

What can I say more?

A Copy of the Agrement given under the Seal & Sign of Morareyraw Gorpada.

I Morareyraw Gorpada give the following Covenant to Nabob Sarazeldavala Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar Shahamet Jung.

I shall always be a sincere Friend & Ally to You in every Respect. I shall maintain a Friendship with your Friends and hate your Enemys. I bind myself with my Posterity to do the same with you & your Posterity.

In Regard to the Chout of Arcot & Terchenepelly I shall agree as usual. In Case Balazeraw &$^{c.}$ Troops are arriv'd We both shall jointly settle that & pay him what may be necessary then I shall receive the Remainder.

If my Troops go to your Assistance You should pay their Rozemera or (Betta) according to old Custom. Should your Troops come to my Assistance I shall pay for their Expence.

You should send for a Phirmaund for Coatey, Pengonda, Colar, & Hooscoata with its Country by Way of Saned Jaqueer or (the Jaqueer to be enjoy'd under the

name of Diet) to be given me. The whole of Yadakey, Yalanore, and Tadapetry should be given me also by way of Saneck Jaqueer together with their Tanas.

I agree to the above four Articles, Pertapa Sing, Manozeyraw, Major Lawrence, acting as Mediators, I shall on no Account deviate from the above Articles. I swear upon God Mahavada & Subbaraya. Dated the 9th. of Moon Ramazan which is the 1st of July 1754.

N.B. The Morata Epoca was mention'd in the copy.

Sign'd by Morareyraw
I shall not fail to perform this Agreement.

A Copy of the Agreement given under the Seal of Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar.

An Agreement was given upon the following Conditions.

Morareyraw Gorpada is to quit his Alliance with the Mayasorians & the French at Pondicherry & then return to his Country in Balagat with the whole of his Army. He shall never go again to the Assistance of those two Men nor any others but on the Contrary he should remain in Alliance & sincere Friendship with me Pertapa Sing & the English and he should not deviate from it. After I took Morareys Covenent with Oaths and under his Seal & Sign I gave this to him on the 14th. of Ramazan Hegra 1167 which is the 6th. of July 1754.

I shall always be a sincere Friend & Ally to You. I shall esteem your Friends as my own and the Foes in the same light. I bind myself with my Posterity to do the same with You & your Posterity.

In Regard to the Chout of Arcot & Terchenepelly Country, We both shall finish it with Balazeraw as usual according as it hath been settled by the deceas'd Auseph Jah *alias* Nizam & after the Money is paid to Balazeraw &c. I shall pay you the Remainder.

Whenever your Troops may arrive to my Assistance I shall pay their Rozeana (Rozmarra) or (Betta) according as it hath been Customary in the Time of the deceas'd Nabob (supposed to be his Father). In case my Troops go to Your Assistance you should pay for their Expence.

I shall endeavour to send for a Phirmaund for Coatey, Pengonda, Colar & Hoosacota with its Country. The whole of Yadakey, Yalanore & Tadapetry shall be given You with their Tanas or (Guards) by Way of Jaqueer.

Should the French molest you I and the English shall join you.

I agreed to the 5 Articles abovemention'd & appointed Pertapa Sing, Major Lawrence & Manozeyraw [Mediators] upon this Business & got them to give their Letters. I swear upon God & his Prophet. Wrote in the Month & Year above written.

No. 297.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 7TH. OF JULY & REC'D THE 13TH. OF AUGUST 1754.

I had the Pleasure to hear from Major Lawrence of the Arrival of the English Troops from England & Bombay in your Place as also of the Expectation of more Ships & of your getting ready a proper Force to send hither along with Mahaphooz Cawn. This I take as a true Favour shewn me. May God grant you a long Life attended with the same Goodness & Civilities. Your Kindness to me are so great that I cannot rightly rehearse to you even the least part of thereof. I shall remember your Friendship & Favours as long as I live. Pertapa Sing & Tondaman have join'd me with Sincerity. The former has ordered Manozey to be ready with an Army to act jointly with me which is oweing to your Favour. A Difference has arose between the Enemys. It would be proper at this juncture for a strong Detachment of

the English Troops to arrive here the sooner the come they better. We wait for nothing but the English Troops & the Arcot Army of which Antazey Punt will inform you more fully. Morareys Negotiation is not yet settled. You are very sensible of his subtile & deceiptfull Dealings. If any thing occurs hereafter I shall let you know. I am sensible that you are not at Leisure to write to me at present because of the Ships Arrival and having much Business under your Hands. Antazey Punt waits readily there to talk to you about the Circars Affairs. I shall continually write him a full Account of the Occurrences here, he will represent it very particularly to you in every Respect, you'll therefore be pleased to permit him always to wait upon you in Order to inform you of Affairs. Be so favourable as to take what he may say into Consideration & dispatch it soon. As your Honour have protected me the Management of all Affairs depends upon You, you have more thoughts of my Affairs than myself, notwithstanding I thought fit to give you a Hint to remind you. Be assured of my Inclination & continue to write me of your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 298.

To Ebrar Cawn dated August the 15th. 1754.

I rec'd your Letter and observe the Contents. I must inform you that out of Regard to the Nabob I furnish'd Mahaphooz Cawn with an Army of Europeans & agreed to pay him 50000 Rups. when he march'd & 50000 on his Arrival at Devicota By childish Excuses & Delays he continued many Days at Conjeveram and in his March from thence to Trinomalee he injured the Killedars of Poloor & Trinomalee which lost a considerable Time. Twas with Difficulty I got him to move from Conjeveram and here instead of going directly to Devecota [he] march'd to St. David. He now pretends that upon Account of the Money not being paid him he could not march further. Tis false, the Money was offer'd & he agreed to march but afterwards refused. I don't believe he ever had any Intention to go to the Nabob. He has deceiv'd me & ruined the Nabobs Affairs, how can I trust him. I have given full Orders to the Governour of Fort St. David concerning these Affairs.

No. 299.

To Mahauphooz Cawn dated August the 15th. 1754.

I have rec'd your [Letter] & observe the Contents. The Letters you mention to have wrote me were all deliver'd the same Hour. You must remember that I offer'd to pay you 1 Lack of Rups. at Fort St. David on your Arrival at Devecota. You desir'd 50000 might be pd. at Conjeveram. I agreed to it. It was with great Difficulty after a tedious Delay I prevail'd on You to move from thence. A considerable Time was Lost at Poloor & Trinomalee. By your Conduct those Killedars were disgusted & by your Delay many of our Men fell sick and many deserted. Here you rais'd new Difficulties and instead of marching to Devecota which might have been easily effected you proceeded to Fort St. David. You say that the Want of Money [and] Capt. Campbells refusing to stay occasion'd your not marching from thence. I must inform you that the Govr. of Fort St. David agreed to give you the Money and actually paid it to Campbell who waited three Days for you but finding it to no Purpose march'd. After so many repeated Letters from the Nabob and me and so great Neglect in You what can I urge more. I have given the Governour of Fort St. Davids proper Orders & can only tell you that if you do not soon come to some Resolution the Enemy will take the advantage of your lying there and do you an Injury. Since you have always neglected my Advice tis in vain for me to repeat it. You are wise.

What can I say more?

No. 300.

To Abdull Bob Cawn dated Aug^{t}. the 17th. 1754.

I have rec'd your several Letters with your Papers of Advice concerning Mahaphooz Cawn's Operations which I disapprov'd and immediately wrote the Killedar of Poloor and Trinomalee which made them easy. I must inform You that after all the Trouble I have taken he refused marching with our Army and is at Fort S^{t}. David. If he does not soon decamp from thence, the Enemy will certainly follow him. Antajee Punt is arriv'd here, I have discoursed him on Affairs. The Commander at Arcot has also wrote me concerning Saat Gudda. I think this a very improper Season for such Attempts. The French have some men arrived at Pondicherry. We must watch their Motions, twill be best you come to Conjeveram. I before inform'd you that I had sent a Detachment to Poonamallee ready to join you. It remains there, lose no Time. I have rec'd your Bill on the Amuldar of Terpasore for one Lack of Rupees. Only sixty of the former Bill are yet paid. The Amuldar again tells my People you have turn'd him out. I desire you will send particular Orders that the Money may be paid. I dont interfere with the Management of the Country Government. You may continue the Old or send a new Amuldar as You judge best. The Nabob has sent me Saneds for Chengalpet Saudet Bunda Manoremangalam and 7 Maganns Viz^{t} Cootembaca, Tinnelore, Poulley, Poroor, Pallaveram, Auranbad and Wallore Magans, belonging to Trivalore. Send me an Order to the several Amuldars to deliver them immediately. Write me constantly of your Health and wherein I can be of Service to You.

No. 301.

To Mootas Allee Cawn Aug^{t}. the 17th. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letters with Copy of the Agreement with the Nabob seal'd with your Seal. I now as a Mediator send you a Letter of Indulgence. May the Friendship between you & Us increase. You know the English never break their Promise, you will therefore be true to Yours. Tis a long Time that an Harmony has always been between You and Us. Let there be no Distinction. Write me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice.

No. 302.

To Vizar Mahomed Cawn Killedar of Chittaput
dated Aug^{t}. the 17th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter & agreable to your Desire have supply'd your Vackeel with the several Stores. Write me constantly of your Affairs that the Friendship between us may increase. Your Father has my Liberty to come and go.

No. 303.

To Bungar Yakum Naigue dated August the 18th. 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter by Kanrapah. Nabob Annaverde Cawn appoints what Amuldars he pleases. The Government of the Carnateck is in all Respects his, I cannot concern myself with it. I shall always preserve a Friendship for you & oblige You in any thing at Madrass. Let me constantly hear from You.

No. 304.

To Motabar Cawn Killedar of Ranzen Gudda dated Aug^{t}· 18th· 1754.

I have rec'd your Letter with the Sirapou you sent me as a Mark of your Friendship. If I can do you any Services in Madrass I shall always be ready, but cannot possibly interfere in the Country Government. That belongs to Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahadar who appoints his Several Amuldars. Let me have the Pleasure constantly to hear of your Happiness.

No. 305.

To Abdull Cauder Cawn of Pallemcota dated Augst· 18 1754.

I rec'd your Letter & observe the Contents. The Friendship between me & the Nabob of Cuddapah is great & of long Standing. I shall always regard his Affairs as my own. I have orderd the Gov^{rs} of Fort S^{t}· David & Devecota to assist you, therefore make yourself easy. Let me constantly hear of your Affairs.

No. 306.

To Mootas Allee Cawn dated August the 17th· 1754.

Whereas you have acquainted me you always had a particular Friendship for & always did & now do acknowledge Nabob Mahomed Allee as lawfull Nabob of the Carnateck [and] as a Proof of the same have sent me your Declaration in writing with your Seal affix'd to it that you shall pay all due Obedience to him & assist him against the Enemys of the Circar & whereas you have represented to me that some People not well inclin'd either to the Nabob or you might commit acts of hostility & by that Means destroy the Friendship that exists between you & have desir'd me to stand as Mediator in this Affair. I therefore do assure you that so long as you continue in Obedience to the said Nabob Mahomed Allee whom you acknowledge as lawfull Nabob of the Circar & assist them I will insist upon the said Nabobs continuing his Friendship to you in every Respect the same as his Father Annavarde Cawn Bahadar did, and if he should violate the same or Abdull Bob Khanor any of his Amuldars should attempt to committ hostilities against you I will endeavour first by Persuasions to make them desist and render you satisfaction for any Injurys they may have done and on refusal I will join my Forces with you to compel them to it. This is the first Duty of every Arbitrator & this I will do.

No. 307.

From Abdull Bob Cawn rec'd the 17th· of August 1754.

I receiv'd repeated Advice that the new Governour was arriv'd from France & that the old Governour was imprison'd with his Divan Papia Pilla & that every thing relating to the Government fell under his Direction. Your Honour must have rec'd a true Account of it. Please to communicate it to me.

What can I say more ?

No. 308.

From Mahomed Ebrar Cawn rec'd the 20th· of Augst· 1754.

I rec'd your Honour's Letter & observe the Contents. The Nabob & the Major hearing of Mahaphooz Cawns Delay sent me to him to know the Situation of Affairs

& to bring him to them as I might think proper. I thereupon arrived in Fort S^{t}· David in three Days with all possible Speed & observed how Matters stood with Mahaphooz Cawn who spoke to me in the Manner following.

"The Governour was pleas'd to order 50 thousand Rupees in Conjeveram on "Account of the Expence which I paid to the Troops & intended to go to Wodayar-"palam by the Way of Tagada in order to cross Coladam River from that Place. To "this End & Purpose I arrived in Poloor to which Place the English Sardars went to "review the Fort, but the People there prevented them from it, notwithstanding "they persisted in their doings upon which they fired some Balls this induced the "English Sardars to fire their Guns. Thus their happened a Skirmish between them. "On this I entreated the Sardars very much but it was to no Purpose. I thereupon "marched from thence. The next day the English Sardars did the same & came to "Ternamel from which Place we intended to march forward but in the Interim News "was brought of Morareys Hostilities. Notwithstanding I march'd from thence to "Devicot but the English Sardars promised that if I would go to Fort S^{t}· David they "would get me the Money on Account of the Expence. Agreable to their Request I "arriv'd in Fort S^{t}· David at which Place they did not pay me the Money, but on "the Contrary, they said that it should be paid on my Arrival at Devecota. If they "had said this before I would have settled Matters with the Troops but as their "Promise was as aforesaid the Troops began to Press me in an hostile Manner for "their Pay. It took a Day or two before I could appease them & I turn'd out all "such Jamadars who were turbulent. The English Sardars not caring to stay even a "Day march'd forward, which & the Want of Money for Expence was the Reason of "my Detention."

I must inform your Honour that on my Arrival I observ'd every particular & found that he was detain'd here for Want of the Money to pay the Expence. If you'll be so good as to deliver 50 thousand Rupees into my Care I shall take the Troops with me & pay them after we have cross'd Coladam River, but if they refuse to go along with me I shall then deliver the Money to whom you may be pleas'd to order. In short I will be answerable for the Money. Please to order as you think Proper. In case the Money is not supply'd for the Expence, I shall discharge the whole Army & carry Mahaphooz Cawn alone to Terchenepelly for which you'll write to the Governour here to order a Boat to go to Devicot. It is impossible for me to express the Hardships which Mahaphooz Cawn is under at present on Acco^{t}· of the Expence. We have hitherto appeas'd them with a Promise of receiving a satisfactory Answer from Madrass to what We had wrote there. At length you was pleas'd to send the above Letter or Answer. I thought fit to give you a full account of the foregoing. I am now endeavouring to appease them with a Promise of receiving an Answer to this Letter in 2 or 3 Days. If they hear me tis well, if not they will disperse. We are upon another Scheme at present which is to order the said Troops under the Command of a proper Sardar to go towards Pallem Cotah & there endeavour to get what they can by going to and from the different Places. If they agree to it, tis well, if not We shall discharge them. Be so kind as to favour me with an Answer soon.

What can I say more ?

No. 309.

From Subderally Cawn's Widow rec'd the 23^{d}· Augst· 1754.

The Raja of Murguey was justly indebted to us on Account of the Price of our Ship. M^{r}· Benyon &^{c}· the former Governours wrote me to receive at that Time P. 2000 in part of the Price of the said Ship which I preserved as a full Proof, & the same I have sent for your Perusal which will explain the whole Affair to you. As what is due to me is a just Debt, I am certain that it will be paid me. Believe me to be your constant Welwisher & continue to write me friendly Letters that I may rejoice.

What can I say more ?

No. 310.

FROM MANOZEY REC'D THE 24TH. OF AUGT. 1754.

We have rec'd your Letter to the King & observe the Contents. An answer was sent to that Letter to which I refer You. You was pleas'd to say in the said Letter that a strong Detachment was arriv'd from Europe & Bombay that you sent them to join us & that you still expect more Men & that the Present Governour of Pondicherry will be turn'd out & another sent to that Place, this gave me great Joy. Your Honour was pleas'd to protect the Nabobs Affairs & that of this Country in every Respect & dispatched every thing necessary. As the continual Reinforcements arrive from Europe it will strike a Terror in the Enemy so as to meet with an entire Ruin & Destruction. You'll meet with Success in your Desire beyond your Expectation & the whole Country & the People will enjoy Happiness, there is no doubt of it. Your good Intentions are upon general Happiness which is well known to every One. Moñs Dupleix ruin'd several Affairs & injured the People in General. As you was pleas'd to write of his Dismission the whole World rejoyced at it. The Reinforcement which you was pleas'd to send will soon come. As soon as they have joined, the Nabob & Major will proceed on their March jointly with my Army to attack & destroy the Enemy thro' your Favour & Assistance which will gain you a good Name & Reputation. Every thing must be dispach'd by your Favour only. We are Your's from a long Time of which you are sensible. We know that you'll rejoyce at our success. the Nabob has no other Friend but your Honour. The King was pleas'd to give me a full Power in this Affairs & he then told me that your Honour would do good both to the Country & Myself in every Respect & that I should not be under any Manner of Apprehensions. I have a great Dependance upon your Protection. You are inclin'd from a long Time to consult such a Method as may Destroy the Enemy entirely & promote the Welfare of the Country by it to that Degree that his Majesty may be pleas'd with me. I am entirely Yours. Your Aim is upon the General Happyness & good Name especially upon the Nabobs Welfare & that of the King & the Country & you are dispatching Affairs accordingly. By the Blessing of God you are meeting with Success in your undertakings. There is no Distinction between us. Continue to send friendly Letters that I may rejoyce.

What can I say more?

No. 311.

FROM THE KING OF TANJORE REC'D THE 24TH. OF AUGUST 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your friendly Letter. You was pleas'd to say that you observed my consulting on Affairs with the Nabob & Major as also of my entering into a firm Resolution to act vigorously & defeat the Enemy desiring me at the same Time to preserve it. You was pleas'd to say that your Thoughts have been wholly employ'd in promoting as much as possible the Success of that Resolution & that you are pressing Mahaphooz Cawn & Abdull Bob Cawn to dispatch that Affair, & that 6 Ships from Europe & 4 from Bombay are arrived, which enabled you to send a strong Detachment to Conjeveram & that you sent the Nabobs Vackeel to them at the said Place, that there may not be even an Hours Delay & you added that [you had] supply'd them with Men & Money agreable to their Request & that they cannot make any Excuse but that the Enemy will be weakned & meet with Shame & Disgrace. Let me inform you that I and the Nabob rely on your Assistance & Strength in every Respect which induced me to undertake the present Affairs. The Nabob & the Major are still here, the entire Management of Affairs here was given to Manozey & an extraordinary Number of Troops was enlisted and better Regulations were made. A Battle or two had been fought before. At that Time the Enemy by the Strength of his Money made himself capable a second Time, & entrench'd himself in Serangam but now I, the Nabob & the Major have entered into a firm Resolution to attack & destroy the Enemy & if he makes his Escape to pursue him as far as Serangapatam & attack the Fort there by firing Balls & take it. As you are our Protector & dispatch the Affairs in

every Respect I am of opinion that our above Resolution will meet with Success. Nanzeraz has moved from Serangam to Chercavarpalam. It proved very lucky on our Side that he left the Shelter at Serangam, his cowerdly Deportment put him in a Thought to destroy the Banks of Anacat which Sin will never leave him, but on the Contrary will ruin him entirely in a short Time. Morarey has sent a Message that if We settled Matters with him he was willing to return to his Country. Nanzeraz depends Chiefly upon Morareys Strength and Power. If he goes away Nanzeraz will be quite disabled and consequently will be oblig'd to depart to Serangam, in which Case We shall pursue him, but if he resolves to come to an Engagement, We shall endeavour to defeat & destroy him. I must repeat that the said Morarey is his Chief Strength. If he goes away it will be better for all Affairs as the Dispute will be then at an End, but on the Contrary our Negotiation with him will in all likelyhood create Nanzeraza's Mistrust & Displeasure to him. I, the Nabob and the Major having consulted upon those circumstances, gave Morarey an Agreement in Writing to pay him 3 Lacks of Rupees in ready Money for which Bukenzey's Bill was deliver'd. At length We sent away his Vackeel to him with an Elephant, Horse, Jewels, Cloth, &c. He at present lay encamp'd on the other side of Coladam with his Army. Nanzeraz with the French Troops fixed their Camp at Chercavarpalam. I must repeat that We have finish'd Morareys Affairs & sent away the Vackeel to him as aforesaid, if he returns to his Country, tis well, if not he will meet with his Desert. For a particular Account of this Affair I refer you to the Nabob, Major and Padré Palk's Letters. My Troops are ready, should they tarry here any longer it will be a Disadvantage to Affairs. We must therefore think of punishing the Enemy and rebuild the Banks of Anacat by which the whole of Choulamandalam *alias* my Country must be cultivated, the People must get their Living and the Fort must be supply'd with Provisions. As these are very necessary, no Time should be lost. We have therefore considered & resolved to march agt. the Enemy with all possible Speed. As soon as We march from hence, We shall surely have an Engagement with the Enemy. In one Battle We must give him a total Defeat if We can. You should therefore send Mahaphooz Cawn with an Army as soon as possible. You have already supply'd him with the Necessary, but if there be Occasion for any thing more you'll supply him also with it & consult such a Method as may induce him to come hither soon, in which case all Affairs will meet with Success according to your Desire and the Enemy will be destroy'd. If you think of any greater Affair than this it will also meet with Success according to your Desire. None of the Enemys can face your Troops of which I am very certain. Whatever Affair your Honour may think of will meet with Success according to your Desire. As my whole Dependance is upon your Friendship I don't value any Enemy. I am firm in my Agreement with You. I shall on no Account change it. You'll observe the same Step & continue firm in your Union & Sincerity about my Affairs in every Respect, each others Concience can testify the same. I have recall'd Ramaraw & sent Sambazey Trumbeck as a Vackeel to stay with You. For other Matters I got Manozey to write to You to which I refer You. I am in continual Remembrance of you. I am desirous of paying you a Visit. By the Blessing of God I shall succeed in it. Write me constantly of your Health that I may rejoice. As there is no Distinction between us I need not urge more.

No. 312.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADAR DATED THE 17 & REC'D AUGST. THE 25TH. 1754.

I had the Pleasure to receive your Letter dated the 9th. on the 16th. Instant wherein you was pleas'd to say that Mahaphooz Cawn makes Delays in Fort St. David, & that Moñs Godeheu was certainly appointed Governour of Pondicherry who proposes a Peace & that he may probably write to me & that if it be agreable to me that you should transact for me, to send you a power on that Head & incert the same in my Answer to him. Let me inform you that by the Blessing of God the English Detachment joined the victorious Army on the 14th. this Day being the 16th. We fixed our Standard within 3 Coases of Terchenepelly. Mahaphooz Cawn should not

have behaved in the Manner he has done. He has now wrote me than [that ?] on Account of the Hostilities occasioned by certain wicked Persons he was detained & that he discharged those People, he has wrote me also that there remained 50 thousand Rupees out of 1 Lack & that if 20 thousand thereof be paid in Fort S^{t} David, & the other 30 thousand in Devicot, he will be enabled to defray the Expences of the remaining Troops and to come hither. If you do this it will be advisable at this Juncture. In Regard to the Peace between me & Moñs Godeheu, new Governour of Pondicherry, I give you a full Power to finish it in such Manner as may preserve the Weight of my Affairs & prove beneficial to me. You'll take a firm Security from the other Party (supposed to be the said Governour) to be faithfull to his Promise of a constant Union with me. I have no other honest Friend but you fit for this Trust. As you have my Interest & Welfare in view you are empowered in this Affair in every Respect. I have not yet receiv'd a Letter from Moñs. Godeheu. When I do I shall let him know in my Answer of the Power I have given you. It is impossible for me to express your Honours Kindness to me even if I had a thousand Tongues. In short I lay under a great Obligation.

May Happiness attend You.

What can I say more?

P.S. I have also enclosed a separate Pqwer as a better Security.

A Power under the small Seal of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar dated the 17th. of August 1754.

In Regard to a Peace between Me & Moñs. Godeheu new Governour of Pondicherry, I hereby give a full Power to Thomas Saunders Governour *alias* Rustem Jung Bahadar to finish it in such Manner as may preserve the Weight of my Affairs & be beneficial to me. The said Governour is hereby desired to take a firm Security from the other Party (supposed to be the french Governour) without fail to be faithfull to his Promise of the Constant Union with me.

In Aneverdy Cawn's own Hand.

I have empowered you to settle this Affair, act agreable to this Writing.

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[From this point the MS. is continued in a different hand.]

No. 313.

From Abdul Maley Cawn Relation to Mahaphooz Cawn at Conjeveram receiv'd the 3^{D}. September 1754.

I receiv'd advice that when the Nabob with his victorious Army accompanyed by the English and Manozeyraw was going from Tanjore to the Fort of Trichenopally with Provisions, Nanzeraz, Beazaraz and Harasing with their Troops crossed their road near Bangar Conda and were so senseless [as] to fire against them. Our Warriors on their part fired both great and small Guns as also Rakets and punished those wicked Wretches. At that Time M^{r}. Kilpatrick was so brave as to Join them from the Fort, which discouraged the Enemy, several of them were kill'd and sent to the abyss of hell. Some were wounded and others void of Strength and Courage lost their Senses and made their Retreat to Syringam with confusion. By the Blessing of God the Musselmen Army gaind the day. May God grant you and all our Friends Joy on this Occasion. Mahaphooz Cawn marched from Fort S. David and arriv'd at Chellembrum and Palem Cotah, he intends to continue his March towards Trichenopaly. I am of Opinion that the Nabob by this Time paid a Visit to him. Write to me Constantly that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 314.

FROM MURTAZALLY CAWN. RECEIV'D THE 29TH. OF AUGUST 1754.

I receiv'd Your friendly Letter in Answer to that of mine and observe the Contents. You was pleased to say that you have sent a Letter of Indulgence as a Mediator and that the Friendship between us should increase and that I was sensible that the English will never be faithless to their promise and that I should be true to my word, and that I should not suffer any Difference in the Friendship that Subsists. I have also receiv'd the Letter of Indulgence and perused it, but it was not agreable to the Copy of the Agreement given under the Seal of Abdul Bob Cawn sent lately to you according to your desire, which makes me to request you will Order it to be drawn out according to the Form sent lately to my Vackeel Vánhazey Punt and favour me with it. I am very certain that the English will never make Alteration in the Friendship. By the Blessing of God I never did nor will ever make any Alteration in the harmony on my side. Make yourself easy concerning myself.

What can I say more ?

P.S. You was pleased to write, to send you a Copy of the Agreement given under the Seal of Abdul Bob Cawn with my seal Affix'd to it in Order that you might send one agreable thereto under your seal and sign, but the Agreement you sent me at present was not agreable to it. I am of Opinion that Nobody had put you in mind of it. If they had, you would have certainly sent one, as the English will never alter their Agreement, in regard to the friendship. You'll think it necessary to draw it out according to the Form sent and favour me with it.

No. 315.

TO ABDUL BOB CAWN. DATED THE 29TH. AUGT. 1754.

I have wrote you several Letters acquainting you that the Enemy would probably, after Mauhapooz Cawn's departure, plunder the Country telling you t'was proper that you should come to Conjeveram where I would send a detachment to join you. You have paid no attention to my Advice. I now must inform you that the French have sent a force to [from ?] Pondicherry. If you still neglect to march, the country will be ruin'd. Dont delay.

No. 316.

TO THE KILLEDAR OF CHITEPUT. DATED 29TH. AUGUST 1754.

The Serjeant who Commands at Your Place writes me the French Governour had sent you a Letter desiring you would act in Friendship with him and that You had return'd for Answer that the Fort belonged to the Nabob. I greatly approve your reply and the Nabob will rejoice at this Instance of your loyalty. The Guns, Shott &c^{a}. were deliver'd to your Vackeel ten days past and were sent from hence. I hope they are safe Arriv'd with you. Let me Constantly hear of your Affairs that I may convince you how much I shall always rejoice at Your happiness.

No. 317.

TO IBRAHIM ALLY CAWN. DATED 29 AUGUST 1754.

I have receiv'd your several Letters and Observe the contents. I must inform you that when you desired me to sell your Paddy it bore no price but as it is your desire I have sold what was here. M^{r}. Pigot the Chief of Vizagapatam has directions to pay you the Money. I have given Orders also for the Sale of that at Pullicat. When I receive the produce it shall be immediately remitted You. I observe what You say concerning Nabob Japhir Allee Cawn. I esteem him as myself and wish

there was a prospect of his being soon reestablish'd in his Government. The Morattoes by experience I know are not to be trusted. 'Tis my Opinion if a Friendship subsisted between him and Vizeram Rause that it would be for their mutual Benefit for you know a certain People have taken the advantage of this Difference to possess themselves of the Country. When you write to Nabob Japhir Allee give him the strongest Assurances of my Friendship. 'Tis so difficult to Convey Letters and the Consequence of their falling into the Enemy's hands are so bad that it would be imprudent to write. Mr. Pigot I am certain will do every thing to make you easy in Vizagapatam. Write me Constantly of your Affairs and Let me hear of your happiness that I may be happy also.

No. 318.

FROM VIZIARAM RAUZE DATED 26TH. JULY RECEIV'D THE 30TH. OF AUGUST. 1754.

It is a long Time since I had the pleasure of receiving a Friendly Letter from you, which seems to me very strange considering the friendship you have for me. Till an Opportunity offers to pay you a Visit continue to write to me of your health to my satisfaction. You may observe that an intercourse of Letters is to be deem'd half a Visit.

Though I have hitherto neglected writing Letters to you, yet I had taken care to send a repeated Account of Affairs here to the Chief of Vizagapatam and Ingeram. I am certain that these have communicated them to you very fully by their Letters. I must inform you that Monsr. Bussy Behauder was Arriv'd at Yaehepore. The Governour of Metchlepatam, Mahomed Ibraim Cawn &ca. as well as several Great men of this Province were gone and met together there. These are now consulting upon Affairs. If any thing is done I shall let you know. Their Intentions are to take Vizagapatam & Ingeram which they communicated to me, but as my Friendship with You is of a long standing, I have waved it, and acquainted the same to the Chief at Vizagapatam, who have fortified that place, and sent Men also to Ingeram.

When Mahomed Mohayan Cawn was defeated, I acquainted you by a Letter that if you would send a Body of Seapoys and write to the Chief of Vizagapatam I was willing to join him and to hoist Nabob Anaverdy Cawn's Flag on the Circars of Cheacacole &ca. and to settle them for him, but you return'd an Answer and told me that You could not do it because of the Affairs in those parts, advising me at the same time to agree and continue in friendship with Mahomed Mohayan Cawn and not to Suffer the French to enter these Circars. I have accordingly settled matters with him and then retired to Pedapore but the report of Mahomed Ebrahim Cawn's approach induced his Troops to molest him concerning their pay which confounded his Senses so as to oblige him to quit Rajahmundrum on a Sudden at Night without my knowledge and to go to Davagada and Chounda by the way of Paponchey and Badrachelam. As soon as I heard this, I was Obliged to go to Razamandrem & from thence to Metchlepatam according to the Governours desire there which I thought proper to comply with at That Time. The French enter'd these Circars. As I regard your friendship I am Doubtfull whether they will deceive me. I have therefore sent a message to the Chief of Vizagapatam that if he pleases I shall join him to hoist Nabob Anaverde Cawn's Flag on Cheacacole &ca. but his inclination is to settle Mahomed Abram Ally Cawn in this Province. This seems to me doubtfull also, for my perfect Desire is to fix your Name and reputation as well as Nabob Annaverde Cawn's in these Circars. Your honour & the Nabob are endowed with honest Intentions, Please to let me know Your pleasure in this Affair that I may act accordingly. You'll write to the Chief at Vizagapatam about permitting my Family to reside in the said place as also to remain in union with me in every respect. Send a Body of Seapoys as soon as possible that I may then remove my Family to the said Place, after which I shall Fortify the Fort of Vizianagaram and then I shall act in conjunction with the said Chief to point the said Nabob's Flag on Cheacacole &ca. and to expell the French from those Circars, but if it be your Honours desire that Mahomed Ally Cawn should be settled, it shall be done. Send an answer to this Letter without delay for I am

impatient to receive it. Write your Sentiments both to myself and the said Chief that we may then fortifie the Fort of Vizianagaram and Pedapore in the same manner as that of Vizagapatam and live in the same place. Till I receive your Answer, I shall pretend a friendship to the French. Should they make any attempt against Vizagapatam and myself I shall be ready to oppose them and to send you repeated account of Affairs here very fully. I must desire you'll consult a method of sending an Assistance to me. You'll be mindfull of taking care of my Affairs.

What can I say more ?

P.S. Sometime ago you was pleased to send me One hundred Barrels of Gun powder which serv'd me in a very good time. At present I have occasion for the same Quantity. You'll out of a sincere Friendship to me be pleased to send it by Sea with all possible speed. Write to the Chief of Vizagapatam to send a Body of Seapoys to the Fort of Vizianagaram and Pedapore and fortify them, and continue in alliance with me with sincerity in every respect, and to exert himself in expelling the French.

The Second Paper enclosed.

We received Letters from the Savacars advising that Phearoz Jung Son to Gazedey Cawn deceased and Malarsey Holacar seiz'd the Patcha and confin'd him. They set a Boy named Aurenzebe on a Throne and are acting as Viziers. They dismissed Salabat Jung and sent a Saned for all the Subahs of the Decan Country in the name of Balazeyraw who intends to set out from his Town on a fortunate day as usual to proceed settling the said Country. It is thought that Salabat Jung will not surrender that county before he fights. What may be the will of God we cannot tell, however this Revolution will be attended with benefit both to the Nabob & Your Affairs. I thought fit to acquaint you with it.

What can I say more ?

No. 319.

To Subder Allee Cawn's Widow. Dated the 30th. Augt. 1754.

I have receiv'd Your Letter with Your Present of Sweetmeats, t'is with pleasure I observe you are mindfull of the respect the English have always had for Your Family, on my part I assure you it shall continue. Agreable to your Request I have enquir'd into the Affair of the 2000 Pags. Governour Morse tells me that the money was paid to Burra Saheib to whom Nabob Subder Allee Cawn gave the Ship and that the receipt for it is in his hands. I desire You will continue to write me wherein I can be of Service, for be assured I shall always very Sincerely wish for your happiness.

No. 320.

From Abdull Bob Cawn. receiv'd 31st. August. 1754

I had the pleasure to receive your Letter and to Observe the Contents. I take the Liberty to answer You as follows.

You was pleased to say that tho' you had taken a great deal of Trouble, yet Mahauphooz Cawn refused to go along with Your Army, and that he remain'd at Fort St. David and that if he does not march soon the Enemy will fall upon him. Let me inform you that the said Mahaphooz Cawn's march from hence and his Arrival at Fort St. David was owing to your favour. It is therefore necessary that you should also favour him in such a manner at present that he may be enabled to arrive at Trichinopoly. Danishmend Cawn Backshey arriv'd at Ternamel with my Army. I acquainted You before by a Letter of Mahaphooz Cawn's Neglect and my

intention to march. If you had Order'd me at that Time I would have marched along with the English Troops to join the Nabob safely by this Time. At present your honour will think it necessary to press his march from Fort S$^{t.}$ David and make him Join the Nabob's Army.

You was pleased to say also that in regard to Satagada, it was an improper Season and that We should watch the motions of the French at this juncture. I approve what you have resolv'd at present. By the blessing of God the said Fort shall be Conquer'd another time.

You was pleased to say further that if I arriv'd in Conjeveram your Troops from Poonamallee shall join me there.

You wrote me that you have receiv'd an Order on the Amuldar of Terpasore for One hundred thousand Rupees and that on Account of the former Order Sixty thousand Rupees are paid to this Time, and that the Amuldar was turn'd out, desiring me at the same Time to send a proper Order to the Amuldar in order that it may be paid in full. I shall send Ragonadaraw to you, he will give you a full Account of Affairs.

You wrote me also that the Nabob has sent Saneds to you for Chinglapet Covelong & Manamangalum together with 7 Magans, and that agreable thereto, I should send an Order, which I shall by the said Ragonadaraw to Antazey Punt.

What can I say more?

No. 321.

FROM SANAWASA CHERY. RECEIV'D THE 2$^{D.}$ SEPTEMBER 1754.

I beg leave to inform your Honour that the feast of September is 15 Days hence. I have therefore sent different Guards of Persons to secure the roads for a regular or safe Passage of the People who may come from different Parts of the Country.

When your honour was pleased to give me leave to return to this District you gave me a word of Protection and told me that I should make my self easy & manage the business in Obedience to the Circar. I have accordingly through your Assistance settled the District and am managing the business. I shall collect the Money due to this Kist of September feast in the present Year to be sent to You. I shall exert myself to pay you the Money and thereby to merit your favour. I trusted none but Your Honour. You may therefore continue your favour and Protection to me. Now and then Linga Chitty will address himself to you concerning my Affairs. Please to take it into Your Consideration.

No. 322.

TO ABDULL BOB CAWN. DATED THE 6$^{TH.}$ SEPTEM$^{R.}$ 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter wherein you say You have sent to Antajee Punt the Orders for delivery of the Several Countrys. He says he has receiv'd none. I therefore desire You will send them to me without Delay that the Nabobs Affairs may not suffer.

No. 323.

TO SINGIA RENTER OF MANAMUNGULUM. DATED 7$^{TH.}$ SEPT$^{R.}$ 1754.

Nabob Annaverde Cawn Behaudar having sent me a Saned for Manamungalum to take Place the 31st July 1754, I desire you will not from that Time pay one Cash to Abdull Bob Cawn, but come here and I will settle the Accounts with you.

No. 324.

To Meer Mahomed Audel Cawn,
Renter of Tripassore under which are Seven Magans.

Dated 7th. September 1754.

Nabob Anaverdy Cawn Bahauder having sent me a Saned for the Seven Magans under Your Government to take Place the 31st. July 1754 I desire you will not collect any Rents from that Time.

The same was wrote to Danishmend Cawn, Renter of Covelong & To Bendally Beag and Rustum Ally, Amuldars of Chingleput.

No. 325.

To Abdul Bob Cawn. Dated 7th. Sepr. 1754.

In a few days more the Feast of Terpaty will commence. You know that the Nabob has assign'd to us the Rents of them. Some of your Troops are in that Neighbourhood. You will give Orders that they upon no Account molest the Renter but assist him. Write me of your health.

No. 326.

To Vizeram Rauze. Dated 7th. Sepr. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter wherein you say you had not wrote me for a Long time but had communicated the State of Affairs to the Chief of Vizagapatam, the State of War you was engaged in rendering it unsafe to convey Letters. I made use of the same Gentleman to convey to you what regarded us here. You seem desirous to be inform'd of Particulars. I must inform You the War still continues. The Dalloway of Mysore still continues at Syringam and our forces at Trichinopoly. Sometimes a Skirmish happens, but lately no Action of Consequence. The Nabob and King of Tanjore have endeavour'd to draw off Morarow. The Agreement is sign'd on both sides and he is marched as far as Volcunda in his way to his Country but you as well as I know that no Confidence can be put in a Morattoe. The next Letter I write you may possibly advise that he has broke his Promise. The French have receiv'd Supply's of Men from Europe so have We. We shall receive more. The Enemy intend to Act in the Arcot Country and we shall oppose them. This is the Situation of Affairs here. 'Tis impossible at this Juncture to Negociate the certain Affairs at present. We will wait till a proper Opportunity offers. By all means forget what has pass'd and enter into a sincere friendship with Nabob Japhir Allee Cawn. You see what has happen'd from the Disagreement between You. Be again united and you will be again happy. I have Order'd the Chief of Vizagapatam to receive Your Family and be agreable to You. The Friendship between You and the English will still increase. Let me hear that You are happy and I shall be so. Write me Constantly that I may be convinc'd You are mindfull of me.

No. 327.

From Nizar Mahomed Cawn
Killedar of Chetepet. receiv'd the 9 Sepr. 1754.

I had the honour to receive your favour wherein you was pleased to intimate that you approv'd my Conduct in writing an Answer to the French Governour, and that the Nabob on his part will give instances of his favour to me & that You deliver'd two Guns &ca. necessaries. I must tell you that I submitted my self to the Nabob in hopes of your help & Assistance in time. May God grant You a long Life.

I have receiv'd the Guns and necessaries you sent me. I have several Guns in the Fort here, but they are turn'd Old, I cant depend upon them. By the blessing of God I have sufficient Provisions as well as brave Men with me. If you will be so kind as to Supply me with a few more Guns and 4 or 5 Hundred Shot I shall be perfectly easy. This will enable me to punish the Enemy severely. If you Order me, I shall send you the Price with the necessary Carriages and Men.

Four Years ago my Father deliver'd 4 Bales of Raw Silk to Coja Babjan an Armenian who sold them and wrote to my Father that the produce was Rupees 2500 and desired him therefore to let him know whether that money was to be employ'd in Trade to Judda or Mocha. My Father forbad him to do it, upon which he wrote again to him and he thereupon advised him by a Letter to deposit the same in the hands of a Shroff fit to be trusted, to this the said Armenian return'd an Answer and told him that the Money was accordingly lodged in the hands of the Shroff as deliver'd to remain as a Deposit. Now my Father desired him to return the said Money to him, his Answer was that he should receive a Dividend as well as other People his Creditors. The said Sum was left as a Deposit as aforesaid. For these 4 Years he paid nothing on account of the Profit which may be expected on the said Sum. I hope therefore that You'll favour me in such manner that I may be able to recover that Money. May Happiness and Long Life attend You.

No. 328.

FROM BARKEY VANKATARAW. REC'D 11TH. SEPR. 1754.

I address'd myself to you several Times concerning the Chit to the People at the Mettoe for to send away the People who came from the Dallaway, as also about my expences to enable me to continue here, but you did not take them into Your Consideration, on the contrary you disregarded them. I cannot tell whether it was owing to some false Stories from some Censorious Persons against me or to my bad Luck. Your Honour is ingenious and well acquainted with the Nature of Justice and Injustice & able to please every one, which is well known to the World. As I have truely and Firmly placed my confidence in You it is not proper for you to be so unmindfull of me. If you will be so good as to send for me to your presence, I shall represent what I have in my Mind to your Consideration, but if You think it difficult to do me that favour at present, Order the Chit to be granted for the People to return to Serangapatam. You'll also order what You think fit to supply for my expences either from the Company or out of your own. If you dont do me this Favour, it is impossible for me to hold out even an hour. This is the true Situation of Affairs. I beg You'll not be Angry at my troubling you so Often with it as the Affair is of consequence. My misery Obliged me to trouble you with the Address. Please to let me know soon whether You'll comply with the above request or no.

No. 329.

FROM MEER MAHOMED AUDELL AMULDAR OF TERPASORE. RECEIV'D 11TH. SEPR. 1754.

I was extreamly well pleased to receive Your Letter advising me of the Arrival of Nabob Annaverdy Cawn Bahadar's Saned concerning the 7 Magans under Terpasore. I wish You joy and gladness on this Account and desire you'll send me a Copy of the said Saned. Believe me to be one of your friends and please me with an intercourse of Letters. May Happiness always attend You.

No. 330.

TO THE RAJAH OF TENASSERY. DATED 14 SEPTR. 1754.

I receiv'd your Friendly Letter by Nocquedah Mahomed Amean and observe the contents. You say that you have sent the Prince's Ship laden with the Elephants &cª. to this Port and that I should give my Assistance in Dispatching the Affairs

thereof. Agreable to your desire I gave my Assistance in the Affairs of the said Ship &c^{a}· and the Nocquedah is now Sail'd with the said Ship to you and he will inform you very fully. Regard the Old Friendship between us and if you have any business in these Parts write to me. Let the Friendship increase.

What can I say more ?

P.S. I was well pleased to receive the present of the Fine Rice You sent me.

No. 331.

FROM MEER RUSTEMELLY AND BANDALLY BEAG AMULDARS OF CHINGLEPET NOW AT ARCOT. RECEIV'D 15TH· SEPTEMBER 1754.

We receiv'd your Letter wherein you was pleased to say that the District of Chinglepet was deliver'd to your Charge by Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahaudar, this gave me great Joy. May God grant you joy and gladness on this Account. Agreable to your Honour's Order, We have Order'd our People not to concern themselves in the Affairs there nor to possess it, but on the contrary to deliver it to your Amuldar whenever he may come, and take his Receipt.

What can I say more ?

No. 332.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN. RECEIV'D 17TH· SEPTEMBER 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your agreable Letter advising me to Order my Troops in the Neighbourhood of Terpetty not to molest the Renter there but on the Contrary to Assist him. Agreable to your request I have wrote to Yakelass Cawn. As I am desirous to hear of your health, Continue to write me that I may rejoyce.

What can I say more ?

No. 333.

TO SANAWASA CHERY RENTER OF TERPETTY. DATED 18TH· SEPTEMBER 1754.

I receiv'd your Letter and observe the Contents. At the time of your departure I told You to be faithfull in the Trust reposed in You. I hope you'll be mindfull of the same and Act accordingly. Kishnazey Punt comes herewith to You as a Tasealdar. You will send the Money to the Company as soon as possible, in so doing you'll merit my favour. Agreable to your Vackeel's request I have wrote to Abdull Bob Cawn & Order'd Divan Sampetry to write to the Zemeadars in those Parts.

No. 334.

FROM THE NABOB TO ANTAZEY PUNT. RECEIV'D THE 19TH· SEP^{R}· 1754.

I receiv'd your Letters dated the 26th of July and the 12th and 13th of August on the 23^{d}· of the same Month and observe the contents. I shall send you an Answer in a particular manner by and by. Agreable to the Governour's request I have sent two Original Saneds [for] the two Conjeverams and Terpasore as also two Duplicates for Chengalpet &c^{a}· and likewise for the Magans under Terpasore, these are seal'd with the great Seal and comes inclos'd in this to You, deliver them to the Governour and let me know, get the Governours Receipt for the same. You acquainted me by Your Letter that the Governour Demanded the Saneds for Conjeveram and Terpasore in Order to secure them from the demands of the French, and that he has no inclination to possess them but on the Contrary the Circar Amuldar shall have full management of them. I approve this greatly and esteem it as a particular instance of the Governours true Friendship to me. Agreable to your Advice I have sent the Saneds.

The New Governour of Pondicherry has lately sent a Letter to me, a Copy of which I have sent thro' the means of Major Lawrence. I return'd an Answer to the said Letter agreable to the form Dictated by the Major, a Copy of which comes inclos'd, explain it to the Governour.

A SANED UNDER THE GREAT SEAL OF NABOB ANNAVERDY CAWN BAHAUDER DATED MOON ZEACADA THE 22D. HEGRA 1167 WHICH IS THE 10TH OF SEPTEMR. 1754.

Be it known unto the Dasomokeys Dasapandys, Canogoes, Natavars, Mokedams, Plowmen & Inhabitants of the two Conjeverams.

Whereas the said Countrys were Mortgaged to Thomas Saunders, Bahauder Rustem Jung Governour of Madrass in payment of the English Companys Debt (the Jagueers, the Enams and the daily allowance are Excepted) from the Year of Phasely 1164 and Agreed that they should remain in the Possession of the Company till their Debt be paid. Ye are therefore hereby requir'd to pay allegiance to the said Governour and be answerable to him for the reasonable Rents thereof in due Season and time. Observe this as a strict order and act agreable to this writing.

N.B. The Divan, Mustophey and Huzoor Neveass attested the Original with their respective Marks as appears in it setting forth that the Copy of this Saned was register'd in their Books on the above date.

A Saned under the Great Seal of the Nabob for Terpasore Country under the same form and Date as above.

No. 335.

A Copy of Nabob Anaverdy Cawn Bahaudars Answer to Monsieur Godeheu.

I receiv'd your Joyfull Letter and approve of your Arrival in Pondicherry but was greatly surprised to peruse it, for you omitted to insert my Title which (by the blessing of God) hath been granted to me by the Patcha, and stiled yourself with a certain Title contrary to Custom. If the Mensel and the Title are granted from the illustrious Court, the same shall be deem'd authentick. It is the Establish'd Custom to be observed by all the People, that if the Patcha grants any Title to any to stile him with that Title. I can not tell by what authority both you and your Superiors intermeddled in the Affairs of the Patcha's Country. In the time of the former Country Governours, the French requested a Town to be granted to them to carry on their Trade. They thereupon considering it to be a Beneficial on either side, permitted them to build a Factory, in Order that they might protect and assist them, provided they behaved with truth & fidelity, but the behaviour of the French from a long time hath been such that they did not mind the above grant, but on the Contrary they altered their manners contrary to Old Custom, and without any Reason they Acted an Enemy's Part against me, and are busy in injuring the Country belonging to me. The late Governour of his own accord Declared himself an Enemy to me and was resolved not to cease the hostilities nor to Suffer any Regulation in the Country, thereby to cause a disquiet, and to deprive me of my happiness, and that of the People so long as a Single French man lives in the Carnateck Country. Since it is so upon what Confidence can I write regarding a Peace? If you were inclin'd to a peace, why did not you recall your Guards from different places to your Town? or why did not you manage the Mercantile Affairs according to the Old Custom as the former Governours had granted the Town to you upon the same business? If the People of any Nation think of Disturbance believe me I shall not be Negligent in rewarding them according to their deeds. You mention'd to me concerning the Prisoners, which I wonder at. Before I receiv'd your Letter, I was thoroughly acquainted with the Customs of Europe and of all Nations. In Europe before a War commences an Agreement is made between Nations and they act accordingly. In this Country no Agreement is made on either side. Notwithstanding if it be your intention to procure a releasement of those poor Prisoners I shall agree to change them equal to the Number of the English in Pondicherry.

What can I say more?

No. 336.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN. RECED 20 SEPTR. 1754.

I receiv'd a Letter from the Nabob advising me to send the Noubet to you which gave me a great Joy. Agreable thereto I have sent the Noubet with it's necessaries by Shaick Gulam Mohayadeen according to a List inclos'd in Antazey Punt's Letter. May God make them usefull and grant you Joy on that Account. I have inclosed my Saneds agreable to the Original Ones to deliver up the 7 Magans &ca. to You, which I hope will come to Your hands. As I am desirous to hear of your health write to me constantly that I may be easy.

What can I say more?

A List of the Present enclos'd

Mahatabey Turband	1
Ditto ... Jamavar	2
Sarpanche	1
Photta from Guzarat	1
Balabend ... Ditto	1
	6 Ps.

A SANED UNDER THE SMALL SEAL OF ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED MOON SHAVAL THE 29TH. HEGRA 1167 WHICH IS AUGUST THE 19TH. 1754.

Be it known unto the Dasamokeys, Dasapandys, Canogoes, Natavars, Mokedams, Plowmen & Inhabitants of the Terpasore Country.

Whereas Cootembaca &ca. Seven Magans under the said Country as ℔ particulars hereunder written was mortgaged to Thomas Saunders Bahader Jung Governour of Madrass agreable to the Nabob's Saned in payment of the English Companys Debt (the Jagueers, the Enams and Daily Allowance therein is excepted) from the Year of Phasely 1164 and Agreed that the said Magans should remain in the possession of the Company till their Debt be paid. Ye are therefore hereby required to pay Allegiance to the said Governour and be answerable to him for the Reasonable Rents thereof in Due Season and Time. Observe this as a Strict Order and Act agreable to this writing.

The Particulars of the Magans Viz.

Coolembaka	Magan Containing	Villages		15
Tinelore	Do.	Do.	Do.	13
Poolley	Do.	Do.	Do.	18
Poroor	Do.	Do.	Do.	4
Pallaveram	Do.	Do.	Do.	19
Amerambad	Do.	Do.	Do.	12
Attepet Wallore	Do.	Do.	Do.	3
7 Magans				Villages. 84

N.B. The Divan, Mustophez and Huzoor Neveass attested the Original with their respective marks setting forth that the Copy of this Saned was Register'd in their Books on the 5th. of Zeacada Hegra 1167 which is the 24th of August 1754.

A SANED UNDER THE SMALL SEAL OF ABDULL BOB CAWN DATED MOON SHAVAL THE 29TH HEGRA 1167 WHICH IS AUGUST THE 19TH. 1754.

Be it known unto the Dasamokeys, Dasapandys, Canogoes, Natavars, Mokedams, Plowmen and Inhabitants of Chinglaput Covelong and Madamangalem.

Whereas the said Countries were Mortgaged to Thomas Saunders Bahadar Rustem Jung Governour of Madrass agreable to the Nabob's Saned in payment of the English Company's Debt (the Jagueers, the Enams and Daily Allowance therein is excepted) from the Year of Phasely 1164 and Agreed that the said Countries should remain in the possession of the Company till their Debt be paid, Ye are therefore hereby requir'd to pay Allegiance to the said Governour and be answerable to him for the reasonable Rents thereof in due Season and Time. Observe this as a Strict Order and Act agreable to this writing.

The Particulars of the Countrys.

The Villages of Tercachecunam &c^{a}· together with Covelong in Chenglaput all reckon'd 1 Mahan.

Madamangalum ... ... 1 D^{o}·

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N.B. The Divan, Mustophez and Hazoor Neveass attested the Original with their respective marks setting forth that the Copy of this Saned was register'd in their Books on the 5th of Zeacada Hegra 1167, which is the 24$^{th.}$ of August 1754.

No. 337.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN BAHADDAR DATED THE 11$^{TH.}$ & RECEIV'D THE 23$^{D.}$ SEPTEMBER 1754.

I suppose your Honour is acquainted with the Occurrences by the Letters from your Sardars here, I therefore think it Superfluous to repeat it to you. I lately receiv'd a Letter from the New Governour of Pondicherry, a Copy of which I had sent you through the means of the Major. I have return'd an Answer to the said Letter agreable to the form deliver'd by the Major. A Copy of this I have sent to Antazey Punt. I have now receiv'd a Letter from Monsieur Dalarass a copy of which I have also inclosed in my Letter to Antazey Punt, which will give You a full Account of matters. I shall write and Answer to it agreable to Your Direction. Your kindness and favour to me are so great that it is impossible for me to express even the Least part of it. I have wrote some certain Matters to Antazey Punt, who will inform You very fully. Be Assured of my inclination and write to me always of your health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 338.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM MONS$^{R.}$ DALARASS TO THE NABOB RECEIV'D BY HIM THE 7TH OF SEPTEMBER 1754.

I take the Liberty to inform you that in Times past you regarded me as a true and sincere Friend and bestowed your favours on me with Sincerity both in private and Publick. On my Part I reserv'd a true affection and friendship to You endow'd with a Fair and honest intention all which I suppose are in your rememberance. Your Favours aforesaid were imprinted in my heart as a Stamp upon a Stone. The reason of my not sending Letters to you was owing to the Change of Affairs in this World. However as the Sincere Friendship between us is upon a firm footing, it cant cause forgetfullness. Praised be God that by the Order of his most excellent Majesty the King of France, Monsieur Godeheu Bahadar Nasear Jung Commissary for the King and Commander in General, set out from Europe with a Large Number of Soldiers and a vast deal of Warlike Stores in Order to Settle the Affairs of the Carnateck Country and arrived Safe in Pondicherry, and upon his hearing the ruins and Damages of this Country as also of the Misery of the Inhabitants and Poor People and likewise of the Great Slaughter of the People in the Engagements was moved with Compassion and his Earnest desire is that by any means the War may

cease and that the People and Inhabitants may enjoy happiness. Besides which Nabob Ausepheldavala Bahauder (supposed to be) Salabat Jung will not reject his advice, and he is a Gentleman endow'd with incomparable Justice and Reason. This and the Regard I have for your happiness from a long Time induces me to address my Self to you hoping that you'll look upon me to be your True and Sincere Friend as before and Let me know freely your intentions, that I may then exert myself in whatever may be conducive to encrease your wealth and procure happiness to You as well as to the People. My resolution is to wait on you provided I can procure ease both outward and inwardly. Believe it to be true and send me a Satisfactory Answer as soon as Possible that I may rejoice.

No. 339.

FROM PERTAPA SING KING OF TANJOUR RECEIVED THE 26TH. of SEPTEMBER 1754.

I take the Liberty to inform Your Honour that Monsr. Godeheu the New Governour who arriv'd in Pondicherry has wrote me a Letter to the following Purport.

"My Master has sent me to these Parts to Act for the General happiness and good "of the People. My Intention is to do what may seem good. Your Predecessors "granted a Sea Port Town and Villages to the French in Order to maintain a "Friendship with them. We on our Part did not Act against the [friendship]. "Notwithstanding you neglected to Cement that Friendship, but on the Contrary "acted against it. In future I hope You'll regard our old Friendship and let me know "by writing what are your intentions that I may then consider what is proper or "improper and act accordingly. Should the War cease by any means, it will be "attended with a general Good. You should therefore Consider upon it and send me "an Answer." Thus he has wrote me partly with threats and parts with Civil Language. I have communicated this to the Nabob and the Major, and return'd an Answer to him to the following Purport.

"I was glad to hear that your Master has sent you to these Parts and that you "are inclin'd to what may seem good. To think of a General happiness is the Chief "thing in this World. One ought to begin to do what is proper. It is the Business of "every great Man to do it, which will not only gain him a Good Name, but will grant "him a Success in his undertakings. My Predecessors granted the Seaport Town "and the Villages to the French with a view that the Friendship between them may "continue in Order that the Affairs of the Country may be dispatched. Should any one "make an attempt to Injure the Country they were to Assist and support the Country. "Thus the Agreement passed between the Parties before. Notwithstanding when "Hadayet Mohayedeen Cawn attacked my Fort, A Large Body of the French Troops "accompanied him with Artillery and injur'd the Fort to the highest Degree, which "is well known to the World. At that Time they possessed themselves of the Four "Magans by force and extorted a writing from me thereby forgiving them the usual "Tribute of Coricol. Thus the French gave us Continual trouble in every Respect. "They did not do us any Good. We never begin any thing first. You mention'd to "me that if the War ceases by any means and a Peace be Concluded, it would be best. "I must tell You that if you put a Stop to New things and Order every thing to be "done according to the usual Custom all the Disputes will End for the Good of the "People in General.

This is the Answer I wrote him in so Strong Terms, and think fit to Communicate it to You. I placed my Confidence in You in every Respect and undertook the present Resolution depending upon your Strength and Assistance. I shall neither Value nor Mind any of the Enemies. In reality this Country is your Own. You are inclined to promote the wellfare and Support this Country in every respect and You give me an Instance of a strict union. I am therefore clear of all manner of Apprehensions. The Nabob, The Major and Manozey marched against the Enemy's Army, & found

they were fled, the French Troops retreated to Nanzeray in Serangam. He lives alone in that Pagoda, Morarey has left them. The French do not agree with him. This is a proper Time to destroy the Enemy entirely. We can never be able to meet with so proper an Opportunity. You should therefore send a proper reinforcement and write to the People here to Destroy the Enemy soon You are a Gentleman of a good reputation and You Act for the General Good. As your Aim is upon a good Name, By the Blessing of God you will meet with Success in your undertakings. In future I hope the Enemy will be quite Destroyed and that the Success will attend you according to your desire in every Respect, and that you'll acquire an Extraordinary Good Name and Reputation. I and the Nabob depend entirely upon your Strength and Assistance. I am in firm hopes that the whole of my Country will be Supported by your Honour. I need not urge much to You. Write to me constantly of your health that I may rejoice.

No. 340.

FROM ABDULL BOB CAWN. RECEIV'D THE 27TH. SEPR. 1754.

I receiv'd Letters from the Nabob and Morarey, a Copy and Translation of which I have sent for Your Perusal, which will give you a full Account of Affairs. Morarey requested a Supply of Lead, Gunpowder, Flints, Cartridges, &ca. as also a Detachment of Soldiers. It is improper to send them to him. Should we deny him, he will be displeased. As I am Obedient to your Advice and Council in every Respect, I shall write an Answer to the said Morarey, according to the Advice which you may write me on that head. The Raket fellows from Morarey are coming to you with his Letter. Write to him an Answer as it may seem adviseable and let me know the same. As I am desirous to hear of your health, write to me always of it. I suppose Ragonadaraw is Arrived with You by this Time with the Saneds agreeable to the Original.

What can I say more?

No. 341.

A COPY OF A LETTER FROM THE NABOB TO ABDUL BOB CAWN
DATED THE 16TH OF JULY. RECEIV'D THE 16TH. OF SEPTEMBER 1754.

I write this to acquaint you that Morarey has quitted his Alliance with the French and the Mysorians & concluded a Peace and Friendship with me thro the means of Pertapa Sing and set Out for Balagat Country. His Agreement was not to molest the Circar Country. You'll on your part decline molesting him, but on the Contrary be carefull in your respective Places and Towns. I must repeat you'll not molest the said Morarey.

What can I say more?

No. 342.

TRANSLATION OF MORAREYS LETTER TO ABDUL BOB CAWN.
REC'D 16TH. SEPTR. 1754.

I Regarded the Old Friendship between us and thought it necessary to Cement it, and to that End I enter'd into a Treaty of which I suppose you are sensible. I began my March to go to my Country by the way of Balagat and fixed my Camp at present in the Plains on the other side of Ramzengada. My Intention is to proceed from thence by the way of Tervatore and Wanembady to go to Vankatagary, which I shall do. The Army from Cadapa has molested the Villages under my Jurisdiction being round the Fort of Guttey and they still continue the molestation. I have therefore resolved to Ruin Wanembady, Tervatore, Jagadavapore and Kishengady under Cadapa. I spoke to the Nabob on this head and hope he will Act according to the

Agreement. As You are also my Brother, you'll out of the Brotherly Affection and friendship send me 100 Soldiers and 1000 Seapoys with 4 Battering Guns and Gunners together with Lead and Gun Powder and Flints on my Arrival in the District of Tervitore &c^{a}. At present I have great Occasion for 20,000 Musket Catridges together with 500, Powder Bags for Guns, and 10,000 Flints. Send these to me. As to the remaining part of the Stores, you'll send it me on my fixing my Camp towards the said place. I have an Ardent Desire of paying a visit to you after my Arrival in those parts. I shall act according as You may write me on that head. As a Friendship subsists between me and Governour Saunders of Madrass, I have sent him a Letter by a Hircar. Order two of your hircars to go along with him to his Honour. As soon as he brings an Answer forward it to me. Give a Strict Order to your Amuldars not to molest the People from my Camp who may pass and repass to Balagat, but on the Contrary to let them pass safely. Ragoonaick Vakeel has brought the Nabob's Letter to You. I have kept him here and sent the Letter to You, to which I refer you. I need not urge much to You about sending the necessaries as aforesaid.

No. 343.

From Abdul Bob Cawn. Receiv'd the 1st October 1754.

I receiv'd a Letter from Ragoba Naick whom the Nabob has appointed to stay with Morarey advising me that the said Morareyraw fixed his camp near Sankarapore and beseiged that place and exacted a Sum of 50 Thousand Rupees. Morarey's agreement was not to molest the Circar Country, notwithstanding he has plunder'd and ruin'd the said Sankarapore which belongs to the Circar and receiv'd the money as above. Now he intends to proceed towards Ternamel, Calava, Pelore, Valore and Satagada. He wrote to all the Killedars to send their Vakeels in which Case the whole of the Circars Country which lay on the Road adjacent to the Forts will be ruin'd and laid Waste. As the Arrival of Morarey in this Country would produce ruin and Dangers, I was determin'd to Order some money from the Killedars for a feast for Morarey and to send a proper Person to him to Negociate and to prevail on him to march from thence to Balagat according to his Agreement. If he hears it 'tis better, if not We shall esteem him as a Person who violated his Oath and promise which he swore and made to the Nabob thro' the means of the King of Tanjour and then we shall think it necessary to punish him. I am ready with my Troops. The said Morarey is a powerfull Disturber. I regard you as the Nabob and hope therefore that you'll write me what is Proper on this head as soon as Possible. By the Blessing of God a large Body of the English Troops was Arrived at present from Europe, you'll therefore send me a Detachment of 1000 Soldiers under the Command of a good Sardar with all Possible speed, as the Arrival of them at this Juncture would be better both ways.

What can I say more ?

In Abdul Bob Cawn's own hand.

I receiv'd repeated accounts that Morarey's Horses have plunder'd Ternamel &c^{a} as far as Calasapaca of which I wrote lately and suppose you are sensible of it. I dont think that he will be as good as his Agreement with the Nabob. You must therefore think it necessary to take care of me and the Country. I have nothing further to Add.

No. 344.

From the Amuldar of Ternamel to Abdul Bob Cawn.

I had the Honour to receive your Letter advising me of Morarey's Arrival and to take care of the Cattle. I must inform you that the said Morarey marched from Walgonda and Arrived at Sankarapore & from thence he began to plunder the whole Country. He Obliged the Killedar to agree to pay him 55 thousand Rupees and lay encamp'd there a few days. At length Yesterday being the 28 of September 1754 he moved

from Sankarapore and arrived near Countore in the Bounds of Ternamel. I wrote Letters to Morarey who return'd an Answer advising me that a Friendship was concluded between him and the Nabob and that I should be carefull in my Place. There are two Different roads to proceed One by the way of Pelore and Valore and the other by the Way of Aunore and Satagada. I cannot yet tell you which way he will go. I have Order'd the People in the Villages to secure their Cattle which they removed to different places. On Morarey's Arrival at Countore, his Troops enter'd this District and plunder'd & set fire to 30 or 40 Villages. I wrote for a Safe Guard and sent for a Body of the Rakett fellows whom I have placed in different Villages, notwithstanding by their forgetfullness they have Seized Cattle in One or two Places and carryed them away. Four Raket fellows were sent to Chengam. If he proceeds by the way of Pelore there will be Occasion for the Raket fellows to be placed in Calashabacca &c^{a}. I have therefore again wrote him on that Affair. It is reported here this day that he is now marching by the way of Chengam & Sankarapetta. As soon as I receive a true account, I shall let you know.

P.S. On the 29th. of the said Month at 12 o'Clock in the forenoon, Morarey has fixed his Standard within two Coases from Ternamel to the Westward. I shall know to morrow whether he will march by the way of Chengam or Calashapaca or Pelore. As soon as he he has marched I shall let you know fully.

No. 345.

A Copy of Abdul Bob Cawns Letter to Morarey
Dated the 25th. of September 1754.

Some time ago I return'd an Answer to your Letter and advised you of the Road to Balagat and of the Situation of the Affairs of the Circar Country, as also of the Aphgans in a particular manner by which I suppose you was acquainted with the Circumstances of Affairs and of my advice. Now, It is reported here that you intend to proceed to Balagat by the way of Ternamel, Yalore, Carnateck, Gada and Satagada. The Killedars thereof are in Obedience to the Circar and pay the Rents. I am of Opinion that this Report is false but if it be true the Country will be ruin'd. This will be contrary to your agreement. Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahadar has sent me a Copy of the Agreement between you and him. To put you in mind of the same I send it enclosed to you. I must repeat that you'll pay a Strict regard to the Agreement and proceed to Balagat by the way of Calacurchy, Permoodgada, Chengam, Singar Petta &c^{a}. according as I had wrote to you before. You'll plunder and lay Waste the Aphgans Country according as it had been wrote to You.

No. 346.

From Morareyrau to Abdul Bob Cawn.

As a Strict friendship subsisted between me and the Nabob from the Time of our Predecessors, I was inclined to encrease it and to that End I complied with the Nabob's desire, at length I have marched and Arrived in these Parts and sent the Nabob's Letter to you together with that of mine containing what was necessary by the Bandars *alias* Racket fellows. I got Ragoba Naick Vackeel [to] write to you certain particulars, which I suppose were come to your perusal. I am surprized that I have not yet received any Answer which is not right. I am of Opinion that you have got ready the Detachment of Hatmen and Seapoys with Catridges &c^{a}. necessaries to send me at two different Times according as I had wrote to you; each other's Affairs are to be deem'd in the same Light and you are a good manager. I lately wrote to you on the Affair and have now sent Rango Kishna to inform you with certain Particulars. You'll dispatch all Affairs according as he may say to You with all possible Speed and then return him to me. My Design is to pay you a Visit and to execute certain Schemes according to our liking, you'll therefore soon [S]end Your

Discourse on that head. I must receive supplies on Account of an Entertainment from Pelore, Calava, Maheamendalgada, Aureny &c^{a}. In reality my Army is Your own. It is therefore necessary for you to relieve it in its wants. You'll therefore send Orders to the Commanders of the above places requiring them to preserve my good will and save their respective Countries from the Molestation. I am of Opinion they will do the same, notwithstanding I thought it necessary to write on the Subject. I have lately sent Letters to Madrass by the Racket fellows whom I supposed you have sent them to the said place. I have now sent Letters also to Madrass by the Mahaldars whom You'll Likewise send to the said Place, and if People with Letters come from thence, you'll Order them to be conveyed here to me. The People from my Army as also those from Balagat will pass and repass [to] the Army. I must desire you'll Order Your People in General not [to] molest them but on the Contrary to let them pass freely. Ragobanaick has now wrote very fully to you, to which I refer you. I have a great Occasion for Steel. You'll send me two great maunds of such as that can be procured in Sea Port Towns, you'll also send the Catridges and Flints according as I had wrote to you before.

What can I say more ?

No. 347.

From Murtazally Cawn. Received the 1st. October 1754.

It is a long Time since I had the pleasure of receiving your Letters advising me of your health. As I am always desirous to hear it, continue to write me that I may rejoice

Morarey by the advice and Council of Nabob Sarazeldavala Behauder seperated himself from Nanzeray and cemented [his] friendship and Union with the said Nabob, and then by the continual March arrived at Calacurchey. Chengam and Bangarpetta is the common Road at Balagat which he left of, but designs to proceed thither by the way of Ternamel, Peloor, Valoor, and Satagada besides which he has a great hatred to me, I must tell you that wherever he fixes his Camp the Countrys to the Distance of 20 or 30 Coases round will be plunder'd and Ruin'd. He may probably arrive in these Parts in 3 or 4 Days. The Separation of Morarey was Owing to your Good advice and Letters. On my part I procured the Nabob's friendship through Your friendly assistance, it is therefore necessary for you to assist me in every respect and to take Care of my Districts, which makes me to trouble you with this, that you'll order Morareys Vackeel with you to take Care that none of my districts be molested, and that he may write to his Master, you'll also make a mention of this pressingly to Morarey in Your private Letters to him and likewise write a Separate Letter to him on this Subject and send it soon to me by two of the Companys men that I may forward it to him. In so doing our Friendship will increase. I have received News from Morareys Camp, which I have sent to you. If I receive any further News, I shall write to you of it.

What can I say more ?

News.

Morarey from Mahalvala marched twice and arrived near Tagada from which place he proceeded towards the Castle of Sancarapore belonging to Mulick Gulam Rassook Cawn's Son who was the Killedar of Mustapha Gada and took that castle and he is now demanding a large Sum of money of the said Rassool Cawn's Son.

Morarey intends after the Feast of Desara to go to Ternamel, and from thence to Pelore, and then to go near the Fort of Aureny and afterwards to proceed towards Valore.

Morarey's Troops are marching up and down the Country in different parts to the Distance of 40 or 50 Coases plundering and laying Waste the province. It does not appear any good mark for the Country to be fruitfull.

No. 348.

To Murtaz Ally Cawn. Dated 1st. October 1754.

I was very glad to receive your friendly Letter, and agreable to your Request I now send you a Letter of Indulgence in the form you desired, and a Letter to Morareyraw informing him of your alliance with the Circar, and advising him not to Commit any Ravages in your Districts. I have also wrote him a separate Letter on the Subject which I inclose you that he will be mindfull of them and go quietly to his own Country. If contrary to my Letters he should approach to your parts, I would advise You to offer him a small Sum of Money on Condition that he will proceed immediately without doing any Ruin, by which the Country will be fruitfull and you will reap great Advantage for you know that all the Soldiers I could send could not prevent his Horse from plundering & those Horse will never attempt or be able to hurt your Fort. I have wrote you all this, out of my firm Friendship; I desire you will preserve your Alliance with the Nabob and write me constantly of your Wellfare and all Matters that may be for your Service.

To Mootas Allee Cawn. October 1st. 1754.

I have received your Letter wherein you say that the Letter of Indulgence was not agreable to the Form. As Nabob Annaverde Cawn is Subah of the Carnatick I with great Reason concluded that as a Mediator to promise to preserve the Friendship between him and you would be of more force, but as it seems more agreable to you I do hereby declare that whereas Abdull Bob Cawn has enter'd into an agreement of Friendship with you containing 7 articles that in case he or any other Offers to break the said Agreement or disturb you or your Country; I shall regard him as an enemy and assist you against him to Obtain a just Satisfaction. I desire you will constantly write me of your Affairs and wherein I can serve You.

No. 349.

To Morareyraw. Dated 1st. October 1754.

I received your friendly Letter with great Joy; advising me of your having concluded a firm Alliance with Mahomed Ally Cawn. The Nabob on his part has informed me of your Friendship. As there is now no distinction between you I am perswaded that you will give Orders that your People do not plunder or do any Damage to the Country but on the contrary to protect and defend it. I am surprized that Anenta Chery did not come to me agreable to your Orders to give me an Account of your Health and of all Affairs. As the War continues in these parts, I must keep all my People and Stores to defend the Country. As the Enemies have attacked your Country I would advise you to go thither as fast as possible and as you are a Man of great Courage God will give you a Compleat Victory of them. You may depend upon my Friendship and let me always hear of your Welfare that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

A Separate Letter to Morareyraw to be inclosed to Murtaz Ally Cawn.

This is to inform you that Murtaz Ally Cawn is in Alliance with the Circar and is very desirous of cementing a Friendship with you, for which Reason it will be proper that you Order your People not to commit any Ravages in his Districts, but on the Contrary to protect & defend them. In so doing our friendship will increase, Write me Constantly of your Health.

No. 350.

To Abdul Bob Cawn. Dated 2^{D}· October 1754.

I have received your several Letters advising of the Approach of the Morattas. As your Forces are not able to resist so large an Army, I would advise you to represent to Moraraw that as he is in Alliance with the Circar it is proper that he should order his People not to disturb the Country, and so with fair Words endeavour to perswade him to proceed quietly to his own Country.

Contrary to my repeated Advice you have Neglected to come to Conjeveram with your Forces by which means the Enemy have quietly taken possession of some of the Circar's Country. Now it is too Late for you to come as the Enemy has retired to their Fort of Gingee.

I have received the several Saneds and agreable to Your desire I have provided Noor Mahomed with a passage in One of my Ships to Bengal. Write to me constantly concerning the Circars Business that I may see wherein I can be of Service.

No. 351.

From Morareyraw. Received 2^{D}· October 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that Anenta Teartachery came to me from a Certain place and inform'd me some things concerning a strict UNION which gave me a great Joy. The same UNION has always subsisted between us, which I hope will Encrease more and more and if we both are United We shall be able to execute high designs. I have this in my mind and have therefore told some things to the said Anenta Teartachery on that head and sent him to you, who will inform you the same. Take it into your Consideration and dispatch the Affair accordingly and then send him to me with all Possible Speed. I and my Riches are entirely Yours. You'll therefore be mindfull to encrease the Riches and friendship. As you are ingenious I need not urge much to You. Your honour is well acquainted with my behaviour as also of the vast fatigue and Trouble which I had taken in the time of Chenda Cawn. I gaind a Victory for you in that Affair. In future I have no other views than of Your friendship and Affairs.

What can I say more ?

A Writing from Morarey dated the 22^{d}· Moon Ramzan in the Year of the Morattas 1140 which is the 14th· of July & Rec'd 2^{d}· October 1754.

An agreement was made between Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn, Major Lawrence and my self concerning my Departure to Balagat. If Governour Saunders gives his Word and promise with truth concerning it, I shall be easy. It is therefore desired that the said Governour should give a writing with an Oath hereby engaging himself to look upon their Agreement (supposed to be the Nabob's and the Major) in the same Light as his own and to perform it Exactly without any Alteration.

2^{dly}· On my Departure to Balagat if the Governour should have Occasion for an Army, I shall send it to him under the Command of my Sardars on his paying me 125 thousand Rupees on Account of the Betta in the same manner as his Neighbour hath done. In case of Affairs of consequence, if the Governour sends for me I shall go to him and exert my self to the utmost with Sincerity. If Affairs in my Country require it, I shall write to him and then he should supply me with a detachment of Hatmen, Seapoys & Coffries with Guns, Ammunition &c^{a}· Stores and dispatch the Affair. He should also esteem my Castle and Forts as his own and give his Assistance in every respect should any of the Strangers or their Army enter the Limits we should be united to punish them. We should mutually esteem our Friends as our own and Foes in the same manner. The English and the People of Gorpoda Family (meaning his Own) should maintain a firm Friendship and Union together with their Sons and Grandsons.

3dly. I in regard to the Governours Friendship was resolved to return to my Country, he should give an Instance of his Sincere friendship which he has for me concerning which I spoke to Anenta Chery he should regard them as if they were my own Sayings and look upon my Affairs as his own and provide me with a Present suitable to my quality and send Achery to me with all possible Speed. I have told Achery what I shall do who will communicate to his Honour.

4th. Concerning the Forts of Guttey, Panagonda, Colar and Hussa Cotah with their Districts, the Governour should send for a Saned from Court by Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn to be given me, he should use his endeavours on that Affair according to his Ability to send for the said Saned to me, he should also get the reasonable Chout concerning the Subahship according to the Agreement. As the friendship subsists between me and the Governour he should admit my proper Agents or others whom I may send with Letters, and return them to me in a friendly manner after he discoursed favourably with them. He should not hearken to what may be said against me by any, but on the contrary he should continue in alliance with me with Sincerity.

5thly. I have Guns and Europe firelocks with me but I cannot get good Gun Powder made in my Country. I have Occasion for some. The Governour should therefore supply me with the following Particulars Viz.

Musket Catridges	100,000
Powder Bags for Guns (each Containing 14...17...20 and 7 Small Seers) Bags	10,000
Best Flints	50,000

As soon as these are Conveyed to Arcot, I shall send for them. I shall send my People to buy Europe Steel, Brimstone, Salt Petre, Lead &ca. as occasion may require, the Governour should get them at the Bazar rate and convey them to me with a safe Guard.

6thly. The Catridges, Flints and Powder Bags should be sent to Arcot in order that it may be Transmitted to me on my arrival towards Arcot.

7thly. Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn agreed to pay the Chout and to procure the Saned from Court, the Governour should get it perform'd.

The Governour should give a writing with any Oath agreable to the 7th. Articles aforesaid and Dispatch the Affair and send the said Achery to me.

No. 352.

From Abdul Bob Cawn. Receiv'd the 2d. of October 1754.

I received a News Paper from the Spy at Aureny on Sunday the 29th. of the last Month at 5 O Clock in the Evening which I send herewith to your Perusal. I find that Morarey is Acting quite contrary. I lately sent to you a full Account of the matter. It is necessary to take a proper care. I shall Act according as you may write. In short it is highly necessary for your Troops to arrive here.

What can I say more?

From Sadashevara Spy at Aureny to Abdul Bob Cawn.

On the 28th. September 1754 Morareraw marched from the Plains of Sulebgada Ravet Nellore and Maloorpatta and arrived at 4 O'Clock in the Evening near Ternamel beyond a Gun Shot. He demands 12 thousand Rupees of Margasathey. I have been inform'd that after a great Ruin the Affair of Ravetta Nellore was finished for 12 Thousand Rupees. The Vakeels were gone to the Forts of Valore, Satagada and Cayalashgada. These proceeded on their Journey by the way of Colatoor. Morarey's Horsemen who are called Hoolsuvars were gone as far as Polore and Seized the Cattle and Carrey'd them away. They are still busy in doing the same. The Affair of

Carnateckgada was not yet finished. The Negociation is on foot. The Killedar of Aurney has sent his Vakeel along with Morareys Messenger. This day being the 29th. I have advice that Morarey will fix his Camp on the Banks of a River of Calashapaca. News was brought that 300 Soldiers and 1000 Seapoys from Pondicherry with 4 Guns & 7 Barrels of Powder were arrived near Wellanellore. We cant tell to what place they will go.

No. 353.

FROM KISHNAZEY PUNT TASEALDAR AT TERPETTY DATED THE 26TH. OF SEPTEMBER AND RECEIVED THE 3D. OCTOBER 1754.

I took my Leave of your honour and Arrived upon the Mount of Terpetty on monday the 23, Six days of the Feast being then expired. The remainder 3 Days was ended this day. By your Honours favour a great Multitude of People was come and there is no fear of the Money due to the Government. On my Arrival here I pressed SanawaChery for the payment of the Money due to this Kist of the feast in full, he thereupon agreed to convert the Gifts received into Money on Saturday the the 28th. and to send a Part of it by Bills and that soon after which to remit the remainder in full payment of the Kist. I shall get it done accordingly. SanawasaChery has wrote a Letter to You which will make You sensible of the matter. All the Polligars and Zemeadars here fear at the very name of the Company. By your Honour's favour the Rents of this Place will be collected in full without any Doubt. Please to take the foregoing into your Consideration and write to me for my future proceedings.

No. 354.

FROM SANAWASACHERY. RECEIV'D THE 3D. OCTOBER 1754.

I had the honour to receive your Letter wherein you was pleased to Signifie that I should be faithfull to the Agreement made in your presence at the time I took my leave of you and merit your favour by it. Agreable thereto I am at present busy in getting the Circar's Money to be sent. I am glad that you have sent Kishnazey Punt as a Tasealdar. In Obedience to your honour's order, I shall collect the Incomes of the present Years feast and pay the Money soon according to the Agreement to Obtain your Honours favour by it. I trusted on you only as my Benefactor and none else. You'll therefore continue the same favour and Countenance you shewed me at the Time I set out for this Place.

No. 355.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN. DATED THE 3D. OF OCTOBER NIGHT AND RECEIVED THE 5TH. 1754.

I receiv'd News from Morareys Camp which I have sent to your Perusal. I suppose You are fully acquainted with the Circumstances of Affairs by the Letters sent lately to you as also by the Verbal Account given you by Antazey Punt. I expect your Answer and am ready to Act according as you may write. It is necessary and better at this juncture to receive a reinforcement from Your Honour.

What can I say more?

In Abdul Bob Cawns own hand.

I sent you the continual or repeated Account of Morarey. As he is plundering the Country I am in Danger of losing it. The Sooner you take care of me and the Country the better. I have nothing to further add.

No. 356.

News from Morarow's Camp.

On the 30th. of September 1754 Morareyraw has marched from Ternamel and fixed his Camp between Calashapacca and Pelore. He has an Army of 4000 Horse, 2000 Seapoys 100 Hatmen and 150 Topasses with 12 Guns Large and Small and Ammunition, as also several other Warlike Stores.

Shamraw Vackeel to Morarey is negociating with the Killedar of Carnateck Gada who told the Vakeel that if he was able to finish his Affair for 4 or 5 thousand Rupees he would by any means borrow that Sum and pay it to him, but if he demands more it was impossible for him to get it. On this the Vakeel has communicated this to his Master who returned an Answer to him that if the said Killedar makes him a Present of 25 thousand Rupees, he will be content, if not, he will destroy the Castle of Pelore & its Country, on hearing of which the Killedar of Pelore told the Vakeel plainly that he had nothing to pay his Master and that he may do as he pleases. Morarey was determined to march on the 2d of October from the place of his encampment between Calashabaca &ca. as aforesaid towards Pelore. What may be the Event I cant tell.

They Seized all the Cattle round Pelore, about 400 Horse were gone towards Chatpet & Wandawashey and brought away the Cattle &ca. from thence. In short they took Women and Children Captives and carried them away.

The Vackeel from the Killedar of Aureny waited upon Morarowrow [*sic*] through the means of Narasapa Braminey and represented to him the miserable state of Affairs of his master who was involved in Debt, but he did not mind it, on the contrary Demanded 50 thousand Rupees to be paid him. The Killedar's Answer was that he had nothing to pay him and that he may do as he pleases. The said Killedar is preparing necessaries of War at present.

On the 1st in the Evening Morarey's Horse appeared near the Castle of Pelore, but the commander there fired Guns against them.

No. 357.

To Monagee. October the 9th. 1754.

I have received your Letter wherein you acquaint me of the Kings Friendship to the Nabob and that You had the command of his Army with Major Lawrence, this gave me inexpressible Pleasure, since, I have heard the Enemy have fled before your Victorious troops. I must inform You that after I had sent a Strong detachment to the Major the French received Large Supplies by their Ships and begun to Act in the Arcot Country, where the our Ships not being all arrived, I have therefore Agreed to a Suspension of Arms for three Months in which Time our other Ships will come, and a Stock of Provisions be put into Trichenopoly, by which means We shall be able to defeat them. They make proposals of Peace. I shall soon see if they are sincere, if not they will meet with Shame and Confusion. Let me be advised Constantly of your Health for believe me I can have no greater Satisfaction than to hear that You are happy.

No. 358.

To Nabob Annaverde Cawn Behaudar. October the 8th. 1754.

Colonel Heron who will deliver you this is a Brave Officer and one I have an entire confidence in, he goes to take Charge of the Army. I desire you will regard him with the same Friendship as you would me. Write me of your happiness.

The same to be wrote to the King of Tanjore.

No. 359.

To the King of Tanjour. Dated October 9th. 1754.

I was Extreamly glad to receive Your Letter wherein you Advise me what the French Governour wrote to You and Your answer, which was a very proper One. Now I am to acquaint You that in Order that there might be a plenty in the Country, The French Governour has agreed for himself and for the King of Mysore and all the Allies and I also on my part have agreed for myself and in the Name of You and the Nabob that there shall be no Hostilities committed for three months to begin from the 11th. Instant, during which time Every Body shall quietly Enjoy his own without any Molestation whatever. You may be sure that I do nothing without a perfect Regard to your Interest and to the good of Your Country. I therefore desire that You will Carefully observe this Agreement and order all the Officers of Your Troops and Forts to do the same. It will be proper that you assist with all Diligence in supplying Trichenopoly with Provisions which may be done now without Trouble & greatly Discourage the Enemy.

Morarow is disturbing the Circar's Country contrary to his Agreement with You. I desire you will write to him in the Strongest Terms to observe his promise.

I have sent Colonel Heron a very Brave Officer to take Charge of the Army after Major Lawrence and under his Care I have forwarded the following Curiosities which are on Account of the Annual Deve Cotah Present.

A Temple set with Precious Stones.
A Coral Branch D°.
An Essence Box with D°.

I look upon your Affairs as my own therefore write me Constantly concerning them.

No. 360.

To Nabob Anneverde Cawn Bahaudar. Dated Octr. 9th. 1754.

I write this to acquaint you that out of my Regard to the Good of the Country I have agreed with the French that no Hostilities shall be committed for three Months to Commence from the 11th. Instant. I have also promised that You and the King of Tanjour shall observe the same Agreement and the French on their Part have promised that the Mysore Daloway shall Agree to it. This I have done out of my firm Friendship for you and in order that the Country may be fruitful, you must therefore take Care on your Part to Observe it Strictly, and give the same Orders to all your Killedars, Amuldars &ca. You may depend upon my sincere Friendship and be perswaded that every thing I do is for your Good & that I shall always be carefull of your Interest as of my own. During this Time of the Suspension you should be very diligent in supplying Trichenopoly with Provisions which will be a very great advantage and soon discourage your Enemies.

Morarerow is disturbing the Circar Country instead of going quietly to his Country according to his promise. I desire you will represent this to him in the Strongest Terms.

Let me hear constantly of your Health & of all Affairs wherein I can be of Service.

No. 361.

To Abdul Bob Cawn. Dated October 9th. 1754.

I have received your several Letters with the News concerning the Morattas. I have already wrote to You on that Subject and I have represented to Morarow in the strongest terms that it is proper for him to Observe his Agreement strictly, which I hope he will be mindfull of.

In Order that the Country may be plentiful and enjoy Quietness I have enter'd into an Agreement with the French Governour in the Name of the Nabob and his Allies, that no Hostilities shall be committed for the Space of three Months from the 11th. Instant and the French Governour on his part has Agreed that the King of Mysore shall observe this Engagement. You must therefore regard it as a Strict Promise and not upon any Account Disturb any of the Districts now in the Possession of the French, and you will immediately dispatch the same Directions to all the Killedars Amuldars &ca. in the Circars Country. By this means the Country will be very fruitful and every one will quietly enjoy his Own. Write me constantly.

No. 362.

To the Killedar of Chitteput. Dated the 7th. Octr. 1754.

I think proper to advise you that I have enterd into an Agreement with the French Governour in the Name of the Nabob and all his Friends that no Hostilities shall be committed in any part of the Country for the Space of three Months to begin the 11th. Instant, but on the Contrary that every one shall Quietly enjoy his own. As I have done this out of my sincere Regard to the Circar and in Order that the Country might be plentiful I desire that you will strictly observe the Agreement and Order the several Amuldars in your District to do the same.

Write me constantly of your Health.

No. 363.

From Sanawasachery Renter of Terpetty. Received 8th. of October 1754.

By your Honour's favour I exerted myself in the feast here and now send You Bills for Rupees 36000, and Star Pagodas 6000 in part payment of the present Year's Kist the particulars of which I have set forth upon another Paper. As it will be paid to the Company send me a Receipt for it. I shall exchange the Remaining Gifts to send you the remaining Part of the Money soon according to my agreement with you. As your Honour is a Gentleman of good intention, you was pleased to promise to continue your favour and protection to me, I shall therefore proceed settling this Country with contended heart and Pay you the money soon according to the agreement in Order to merit your favour by it. I have no other Benefactor but your Honour and I look upon you to be my Master in Every Respect.

What can I say more?

A List of the Bills sent by Sanawasachery Renter of Terpetty and Delivered by his Vackeel. October 8th. 1754.

2 Bills upon Gokala Tervady, One for Starr Pagodas 6000 and the other for Rups. 1000, both payable at 24 days sight...
3 Ditto upon Nealcantaker, One for Rupees 15000 and the other 2 for Rupees 10000 all payable at 24 days sight.
1 Ditto upon Goverdendoss for Rupees 10000 Payable and 20 Days sight.

6 Bills amounting to Pagodas 6000 & Rupees 36000

No. 364.

From Kishnazey Punt Tasealdar Dated 2d. October & Receiv'd the 9th. 1754.

I insisted on Sanawasa Chery for the payment of the Money due on Account of the Kist of the feast, who said that the Amount of that Kist was Pagodas 30000, and 17000 Rupees and that he would pay at present in part of the same Pags. 6000

and Rupees 36000 which he has now sent to you by Bills as will appear to you by a Separate Paper which contains the particulars of them. As soon as this Money is paid I hope you'll send a Receipt for it. As to the remaining part of the Kist it shall be sent to You by Bills also as soon as the Gifts are converted into Money. By your Honour's favour there is no doubt of getting the Circar's Money as a great Multitude of the People was come to celebrate the feast. I must repeat that the Remaining part of the Kist shall be soon sent to You in full as aforesaid. This place is quite clear of the Disturbance. All the Zemeadars and Polligars fear your Name and Continue in Obedience. The People here are perfectly easy. Take the foregoing into your Consideration and send your Orders for my future proceedings.

A List of the Bills inclosed in the Letter. Dated 2^{D}. October 1754.

2. Bills drawn by Sundarzeydava on Gokala Tervady amounting to Pag^{s}. 6000 and Rupees 1000 payable at 24 days sight.

2 Bills drawn by Aveckeldoss Nealcantaker, One for Rupees 15000 & the other for Rupees 5000. In all amounting to Rupees 20000. In all amounting to Rupees 20000, Payable at 24 days sight.

1 Bill drawn by Mangaladoss on Nealcantaker for Rupees 5000, Payable at 24 Days sight.

1 Bill drawn by Bavaneydoss on Nowlack Goverdendoss for Rupees 10000 Payable at 20 days sight.

6 Bills amounting to Pagodas 6000 & Rupees 36000.

N.B. I disputed with the Renter that the Limitted time for the payment was too Long, but he Answered that I should not be uneasy about it and that it was done according to the usual Custom.

No. 365.

From Murtazally Cawn. Received 10TH. October 1754.

I received your Friendly Letter in answer to that of mine, advising me that you have sent me the Letter of Indulgence in the form I desired, and that you acquainted Morarey by a Letter that I was in alliance with you and [that he] should not Commit any Ravages is my Districts telling me at the same Time that he will be mindfull of it, but if he Acts contrary to it and thinks of proceeding hither it was adviseable that some things may be given him to the End that the Country may be in Peace and Quiet. You advised me also that all the Forces you can send cannot prevent Morarey's Horse from plundering the Country nor can those Horse attack my Fort and you desired me to continue in alliance with Nabob Sarazeldavala Bahader. I received also the Letter of Indulgence You sent me. Praised be God that you are firm in Truth Sincerity and honest dealings. As you was so kind to send me the Letter of Indulgence as I desired, it made me perfectly Easy. I have been sensible for this long Time that the English Nation Especially your Honour will never fail in your word and Agreement. God hath always made and is Still making you Victorious over your Enemies all which is owing to Your honest intentions. May God encrease your Dignity according to the Desire of your friends. I have now made myself easy and through Your Friendship and favour I was addicted to the Alliance and Friendship with the said Nabob. You'll now see the instances of Friendship which I have already given and will continue the same in Consequence of the Alliance with the Nabob. By the blessing of God I shall never fail in that Respect. You was pleased to write a Letter to Morarey which I esteem'd as a mark of your sincere favour. Your Separate Letter to him was arrived with me which I have Order'd to be presented to him. The Sad and wicked proceedings of the said Morarey are so clear that it would be needless for me to rehearse them to You. For the safety of the Country, agreable to your Directions and in Obedience to the Nabob, I was determined to give him some things and got this Affair negotiated with the said Morarey,

through the means of Abdul Bob Cawn but as he seems to be very Covetous, he did not care to accept that small offer but on the contrary he desires a Large Sum, however I am at present busy in getting him removed from this Country by paying him some money through the means of Abdul Bob Cawn. I am in hopes that it will be soon Effected. It is true that the sending of the Soldiers [will not prevent] the Morattas [from] plunder[ing] in the Country, notwithstanding if you think it proper, Please to send about 200 Soldiers to Abdul Bob Cawn at Arcot, which will strike a Terror in the said Morarey so as to Oblige him to agree to a small Offer and go away. By the Blessing of God and your favour my place is well fortified, no fear of Morarey by whose Arrival it is thought only the Country will be Ruin'd. I must desire you'll write to the Commander in Arcot to send Ten Good Gunners to me as soon as possible with a Direction to stay with me till the disturbance was Over.

What can I say more?

No. 366.

To KEREDY CAWN. OCTOBER THE 10TH. 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive Your Letter giving me an Account of the Nabob's Success. I need not tell you how much I rejoice at it, you know the Friendship between us is of a Long Standing it encreased daily so that this is no distinction between us. The Nabob has often wrote me of your Regard for him which I am perfectly sensible of. I am daily in Expectation of a thousand Men from Europe. By the Blessing of God the Nabob's Affairs will prosper and his Friends be happy. Let me constantly hear of your health that I may Rejoice.

No. 367.

To MORAREEKAW. DATED 10TH OCTOR. 1754.

I have received your Friendly Letters by Anenta Cherry who has informed me of your health, and besides has acquainted me with some certain Matters concerning Your Friendship and Alliance which gave me great Joy. As the Rainy Season is now sett in, and the Weather very bad it is not a Proper Time to execute your Designs nor to send any thing into the Country because it would be Spoilt upon the Road.

With regard to the Agreement made between you and the Nabob, I was only informed in general that you had entered into a Strict Friendship & Union and that I was to look on you as a firm Friend. I shall now write to be particularly acquainted concerning his Agreement. [When I] receive the Answers I shall be fully informed of Every thing.

As there is no difference between us I think proper to acquaint you of every thing that passes and I am therefore now to inform you that there is an Agreement made between me and the Nabob and the King of Tanjour on one part and the French Governour and the King of Mysore on the other part, not to commit any Hostilities for the Space of three months but that every one shall quietly enjoy his Own. As this is Intended for the Good of the Country you should also Observe the same strictly by which means there will be a great Plenty and Fruitfullness and every Body will reap the Benefit.

I shall constantly give my Assistance to Your People that come to Madras and in everything regard Your Interest as my own.

Let me hear Constantly concerning Your Wellfare.

No. 368.

To THE KING OF TANJOUR. OCTOBER THE 11TH. 1754.

The Several Letters you have wrote me in which you so warmly express your friendship for the Nabob with your regard for me and the measures you have taken to Convince us of it cannot but afford me infinite Satisfaction. May our united

endeavours tending to the happiness of the Country by the Almighty be blessed with Success and your name be as bright as the Sun whose Rays extend their influence to the whole World. I have deferr'd writing to You longer than was my inclination that I might give you the greater Satisfaction in advising You with certainty of ours and the Enemy's Situation. I am in doubt whether your agreement with Morarow will have the desired Effect. He moves slowly. You may trace his Rout by the Remains of Towns plundered and burnt and the Country Depopulated. He is now near Poloor. With Him is I believe the Mysore Vackeel. 'Tis said the French are in Arrears to him 9 Lacks. He plunders without distinction friend and Enemy. He has sent me a Letter with a Writing Containing 7 Articles of Agreement in which Writing he made mention of the Agreement made with the Nabob and desired me to sign to the 7 Articles and send him several Warlike Stores with a Present and that I will order a Detachment of Hatmen to join him. I have wrote him a Letter of Friendship urging that the Monsoon will prevent sending Men & Stores, that I have requested from the Nabob Copy of the Agreement, that We have (considering our Troops would not Act) Agreed to a Suspension of Arms for three Months, that I wish him happiness in his own Country and desire there may be no Distinction between us. Mahauphooz Cawn has I hear join'd the Nabob. I hope he will be of Service. The Enemy had a large Army abroad in the Arcot Country and We none to Oppose them, this induced me to Agree to a Suspension of Arms for three Months in which Time Provisions may be put into Tritchenopoly, our Ships will Arrive and our Army be in a Condition to take the Field. The French Governour has wrote to me concerning Peace. I shall soon know if he is sincere. I observe his Letter to You and Your Answer which I greatly Approve. Be assured I shall regard your Affairs as my Own. You desired I would provide for you some Curiosities. I now send a Temple, a Pagoda and an Essence Box all set with precious Stones the cost as ℔ List. I desire you will send me Receipts for 5 Years Gratuity [on] Account [of] Deve Cotah. Let me hear constantly of your health that I may Rejoice.

A List of Curiosities sent the King of Tanjour.

A China Temple cost Sterlg.	720.
A Coral Branch	330.
A Snuff Box with diamonds	99...15
	1149...15
at 30 ℔ Cent is	344...18...6
	1494...13...6
@ 8 ℔ Pagoda is Pag^{as}	3736...25...0

No. 369.

To Kishnazey Punt Tasealdar. October 11th. 1754.

I received your Letter with a List of several Bills of Exchange sent by Sanawasa Chery. As soon as the amount is paid by the Savacars, a Receipt shall be sent to him. As a great part of the Money is still due, I have sent him an Express. Do you Exert yourself and get the same sent as soon as Possible.

No. 370.

To Sanaswasa Chery Renter of Terpetty. October the 11th. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letters with several Bills upon the Merchants for Star Pagodas 6000 and Rupees 36000, but as soon as this Money is paid by them a Receipt shall be sent to You.

As a great part of the Money is still due from you, I require you'll send it as soon as possible & behave Yourself faithfully so as to merit my favour.

No. 371.

FROM THE KILLEDAR OF PALLEM COTAH,
BELONGING TO THE NABOB OF CADAPAH.
DATED THE 2D. AND RECEIVED THE 15TH. OCTOBER 1754.

I had the Honour and Satisfaction to receive Your Letter full of favour and kindness advising me that you have Wrote to the Deputy Governour of Fort St. David and the Chief at Deve Cotah to assist me. May God grant You long and eternal Life amongst your Friends. By your Honour's favour I have hitherto saved my self from the Injury of the Enemy. I am in hopes and I am perfectly perswaded that you'll Yield your Assistance to me in case of Molestation from the Enemy. Depending on your help I am perfectly easy and remain with full firmness in my own Place. I have no other Protection in this Country but that of your Honour. Nabob Abdul Mazead Cawn is always advising me to regard your Honour as I would do him, and he has informed me that you would assist me in Every Respect. I must acknowledge that you are saving me from the Hands of the Enemy in Time of Distress. It is my Prayer to God that he may prolong your Days and encrease your Riches and make you always Victorious and successfull in Your designs.

One Arnachelapilla Obtain'd the Employment of Chelembrem &ca. as also the management of Bonagary &ca. 5 districts of Werdachelam from the New Governour of Pondichery, and arrived in Chelembrem with Guns and Ammunition and Likewise with a Large detachment of Seapoys.

On the 30th Ultimo he moved from the said Place and went to Mannargady. He is very proud and Wicked. I suppose you have heard of it by other [persons. I must] therefore desire you'll again write to the said Deputy Governour and Chief to yield their Assistance to me in case of Molestations from the Enemy, I must repeat I have no other Protector & releiver but your Honour. All my hopes are upon you. May happiness and success always attend You.

No. 372.

FROM NABOB ABDUL MAZEAD CAWN OF CADAPA.
RECEIVED THE 17TH OF OCTOBER 1754.

I receiv'd your Friendly Letter & observe every Particular therein contain'd. I sent you a full Account of Affairs here in writing and suppose Sanawasaraw has also informed you of the same. I think it necessary to send for the said Sanawasaraw on Account of some certain matters and have therefore order'd him to come to me that I might send by him a verbal Account of certain matters (which cannot be Explain'd by a Letter) to you, in which case you'll be thoroughly acquainted with several Affairs which are in my mind. I hope therefore that you'll send him to me. By the Blessing of God I shall resolve in a short Time to march to those parts with a Safety and Victory, so that my Victorious Army will Certainly arrive there very soon. May happiness always attend You.

No. 373.

FROM NEZA MAHOMED CAWN KILLEDAR OF CHETPET.
DATED THE 13TH AND RECEIVED THE 18TH OCTOBER 1754.

I observe by what the Commander at Chengalpet wrote to the Serjeant here that the Suspension of Arms for 3 Months has been agreed on by the Parties, which gave me a great Joy. The People who have been in Affliction for a long time are now made happy through your favour. As a Peace is now on foot, I must inform you that a Jageer belonging to the Fort of Chetpet to the amount of P 7000, lies near

the Fort of Wandawashey and Wootermellore. It is now two Months since the Killedar of Wanderwashey has Seized on Malmagan, producing 4000 Pagodas, in the Name of the french. The People at Wootermellore have also Seized on Catacolore within 16 Coasses from the Place, but as the Suspension has been agreed on for three Months as aforesaid, I hope you'll send [Orders] to the Killedar of Wandawashey to restore the Jagueer of Chetpet Fort which lies near his Own. I am Obedient to You and ready to Act according to Your Direction.

What can I say more?

No. 374.

FROM KISHNAZEY PUNT TASEALDAR AT TERPETTY DATED THE 12TH. AND RECEIVED 18TH. OCTOBER 1754.

I Lately address'd my self to your Honour at two Different Times but you have not yet favourd me with an Answer. This Day SanawasaChery sends You four Bills to the amount of Star P. 6000 and 16000 Rupees as ℔ a Separate Paper containing the Particulars thereof. As soon as the Money is paid please to send a Receipt for it. The Money due on Account of the Kist of September feast was Pags. 30000 and Rups. 17000 in payment of which what had been sent before including the present Remittance amounts to about 100 thousand Rupees. As to the remaining Part he has agreed to send it according to the Accounts. It shall be my endeavours to get the same performed. By Your Honour's favour the Rents were Collected. There shall not be left a Single Cash unpaid. Take it into your Consideration and Continue to send your Directions for my future proceedings.

A List of the Bills sent.

2 Bills on Gokala Tervady Drawn by Sunderzeydava one for Star Pagods. 6000 and the other for Rupees 11531, both payable at 24 days Sight.

1 Bill on Amboy doss drawn by Kistnadoss for Rups. 2169 payable at 16 days sight.

1 Bill on Noulack Goverdendoss drawn by Bavanadoss for Rupees 2000 Payable at 16 days Sight.

4 Bills amounting to Pagodas 6000 and Rupees 16000.

No. 375.

FROM SANAWASA CHERY RENTER OF TERPETTY. REC'D THE 19TH. OCTOBER 1754.

I lately sent you some Bills of Exchange on Account of the present Years Kist which I hope were deliverd to You. Now I send you four Bills more to the Amount of Star Pags. 6000 and Rupees 16000 on Account of the same Years Kist as ℔ List. As soon as the Money is paid according to the Bills send me a Receipt for it. [I shall then send] you the remaining part of the Money due on Account of the said Kist of the feast by Kistnazey Punt. My Design is to pay the Money in full according to the agreement made with you thereby to merit your favour. I have no other Patron but your Honour and hope therefore that you'll continue your favour and Protection to me in an Extraordinary manner.

Aunendaraw who had been Ordered to Stay with me, belongs to Savanaick Subedar's Command. He enter'd into a Combination, sent for Letters from the Commander at Arcot and by that means he Seized the Savacars belonging to Bukenzey here under pretence of some demands and then carried them by force to Arcot without my knowledge which Discouraged the other Savacars who thought it improper to live in the said Place where Compulsions were used in the manner aforesaid, and all Affairs at Terpetty should be managed by Your knowledge, but as the said Compulsion was used there without your Consent, I leave it to your Examination. You'll be pleased to recall the said Aunendaraw. The Savacars here are under an Apprehension

by reason of his mischevious proceedings. I must repeat you'll recall the said Aunendaraw to Your Place. I thought fit to acquaint You of the foregoing and am ready to obey your Commands.

No. 376.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN, DATED THE 15TH. AND RECEIVED THE 20TH. OF OCTOR. 1754.

I received your Letter advising me that an Agreement was made with the French Governour to cease all manner of Disturbance for the Space of three Months & that I should firmly observe the same and write to all the Killedars and Amuldars of the Circar not to Seize the Districts in the Possession of the French at present. Agreable to your Direction I shall send my Orders to them. There is nothing to be disputed in regard to the several Districts which the French had Possess'd themselves of before, but in Regard to Wootermellore Salabaca &ca. Districts of Tervatore & Carongoly which they had taken possession of Lately, I desire you'll let me know the Tenour of your Agreement on that head that I may act accordingly. I observe what you wrote me concerning Morarey. The Killedars here were not willing to give anything on Account of Morareys Entertainment but on the Contrary they were ready to oppose. Notwithstanding, agreable to your Direction I have sent Mahomed Yakaloss Cawn to Murtazally Cawn of Valore and with a thousand intreaties prevailed on him so as to finish the Affair for Rupees 50000 for which I have sent a Bill upon certain Conditions to Morarey that he may go away to Balagat in three days. A Present of 5000 Rupees was agreed to be given the Mutteseddees belonging to the said Morarey. Thus by the Blessing of God Morarey's Affair was finished. I have lately sent you a Particular Account of the Districts which are in my Possession as also of those that are not under my direction. I hope you have taken it unto your Consideration. I am in Expectation to receive a Satisfactory Answer from you. The Suspension of Arms for 3 Months had been agreed with the French as aforesaid but as a Large Arrear is due to my Troops and their Pay daily increasing, I intend to embrace the present opportunity so as to undertake an Expedition against Bangar Yachem Naick &ca. Polligars (who paid nothing for this Long Time but on the Contrary were largely in Debted to the Circar) to receive or recover money from them in Order to satisfie my Troops and thereby to make myself easy. I hope therefore that you'll think it necessary to send a Detachment of Soldiers, Seapoys Guns &ca. Stores of War under the Command of a proper Sardar to my Assistance that it may be a means to dispatch Affairs with Success.

What can I say more?

No. 377.

FROM NIZAR MAHOMED CAWN KILLEDAR OF CHETPET.
DATED THE 17TH. AND RECEIVED THE 20 OF OCTOBER 1754.

I had the Happiness to receive your kind Letter advising me that the Suspension of Arms has been agreed on for 3 Months and that I should Order my Amuldars to remain quietly in their Districts. I approve of this Greatly. The People who suffered Affliction for this long time will now enjoy happiness for a while and pray sincerely for your Riches. Before I received your favour A Letter came from the Commander at Chengalpet to the Serjeant here. Immediately on receipt of the same I order'd my People to Cease the Disturbance, but Morarey for this 10 or 15 Days lies within 2 Coasses from this Fort and ruined all the Villages near the said Fort and he still continues the Ruin, he does not seem as if he was resolved to go away. Malamagan and Catacolore are the best Part of the Jagueer and which produces about 7000 Pagodas. These lay near the Fort of Wandawashy and Wootermellore and are at present under the Seizure of the French and the Killedar of Wandawashey. I thought fit to acquaint you with it.

What can I say more?

No. 378.

To the Nabob of Cudapah. October 25th. 1754.

I was very glad to receive your Letter acquainting me of your Friendship and that for certain Reasons you desired Sanawasaraw might come to you. Agreable to your Request I now send the said Sanawasaraw who will give you a full Account of all Affairs. I must acquaint you that for the good of the Country and the Happiness of the People all Parties I have agreed to a Suspension of Arms for three Months during which Time every Person is quietly to possess what belongs to him. I look upon your Affairs as my own. Write me always Concerning them.

No. 379.

To the Killedar of Pellem Cotah. October 25th. 1754.

I have received Your friendly Letter advising me of the Motions of the Enemy near your Place. Now I am to acquaint You that You need be under no Apprehension on that Account because all Parties have agreed to a Suspension of Arms for three Months which begun the 11th. Instant and will End the 11th. of January, During which Time no Persons whatever is to be molested on any Account. I desire you will regard this as a Strict Agreement and if the Enemy do not on their Part observe the same, Advise me that I may Act accordingly for your Interest and Security. Look on me as a firm Friend and advise me always of your Health.

No. 380.

To the Killedar of Chetteput. October 25th. 1754.

I receiv'd your Letter acquainting me that that the Enemy had taken possession of certain Places belonging to Your Districts and desiring me to Order them to be restored. I must acquaint You that during the Suspension everything must remain in the Condition it now is in; but in case a Peace is made the Enemy will be Obliged to deliver up all those Places to the Nabob who will Regulate every thing according to the Old Custom and reward every one according to their deserts. Write me Constantly of your health.

No. 381.

From Nabob Abdul Mazead Cawn of Cadapa
received the 25th. of October 1754.

It is reported that the Governour of Pondicherry was dismiss'd the Service and that another from Europe arrived in his Room. I suppose this Dismission was Occasioned by his bad behaviour and Conduct. Praised be God that every one meets with a Reward according to his Deserts. If you are friendly and favourably inclined at this Juncture, Chelembrem may be taken in the twinkling of an Eye. You should think it necessary to do it. When the late Governour of Pondicherry raised a Disturbance and began the molestation, You was so good as to give Your Assistance in defence of the Fort of Pallem Coata and exerted your self to the utmost. As all Affairs are pure & clear at present, I am certain that you won't be unwilling to yield Your Assistance to me at this Juncture. There are some Certain Matters to Communicate which cannot be rightly express'd to you by writing. I have therefore sent for Sanawasaraw in order to Deliver a Verbal account of the matters which are in my mind and then to send him again to You to the End that he might Explain them fully and in a proper Light to You. By the Blessing of God I shall settle Affairs to my Satisfaction by punishing the Zemeadars and then will march and Arrive at Jagadava. It is my resolution to Join and to attack and punish your

Enemies in a due manner and to clear [that Country of those who are wicked and unclean. Till then I desire you'll hinder Morarey (who is very proud of his present Strength and disturbing the Countries there) from setting out. By the Blessing of God he shall fall a Prey to the Swords of my brave Warriors. May happiness always attend You.

A Note inclosed.

Concerning the discourse which passed between me and Anaverdy Cawn, Sanawasaraw will explain fully to You the Contents of the Answer which I had wrote on that Head.

No. 382.

FROM MOTABAR CAWN KILLEDAR OF RANZENGADA. — RECEIV'D 25TH. OF OCTR. 1754.

I was extreamly well pleased to receive Your Answer to my Letter advising me of your health and desiring me to write to you freely if I had any Business in Madrass or Fort St. David promising to Dispatch it in regard to the friendship between us. I was in hopes for this long Time to hear of your health therefore the receipt of your said Letter gave me entire Satisfaction. It is my desire that the old Friendship between us may daily encrease. I must tell you that I have been in firm Friendship and Alliance with Nabob Anaverde Cawn Bahadar and Major Lawrence for this Long time. I wish sincerely for the Nabob's Victory. May God grant it soon according to my desire and that he may also grant me the pleasure of seeing You which is my principal Aim and desire. Till then I hope you'll Continually write to me of your health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 383.

FROM MORAREYRAW. — RECE'D THE 25TH. OCTOBER 1754.

I receiv'd your Letter and observe the Contents. I am certain and well pleased that the friendship between us was encreased. There is no Distinction between us. It is my desire that a strict harmony which reigns between the Gorpada Family (meaning his own) and the English may be cemented. As [Anentachery] is in your place, I desire you'll regard his Saying as my own, and agreable thereto you'll dispatch certain affairs to the end that the friendship between us may encrease to the highest pitch. Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn has granted me the whole of Tadapatrey Yadakey and the Villages of Yalanore. I must desire you therefore to Order the Cadapa Vakeel to take care that the Nabob of Cadapa shall not refuse to deliver them to me. You'll also write him on that head and send me likewise a Separate Letter to him the following form.

"A Perfect friendship subsists between me and Morareyrow. It has been "represented to me that You have molested his Country and took possession of "certain Places and Villages belonging to him which would be of no Signification to "you. I must therefore advise you to restore to him all the Places, Villages &c. "which You had seized and likewise to Deliver to him Yadakey, Yalanore & Tada- "patrey according to Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn's Phirmaund sent desiring you "to assign them into the possession of the said Morareyraw. If you neglect to do "this, I shall join Morareyraw to act against You."

I must repeat that You'll write the above Letter and out of Brotherly Affection to me dispatch every thing according as the said Anenta Chery may say to You and then send him to me in Company with my former Agent Garmazey Vattal who is in your place as soon as Possible. I and my Army are Yours. You'll be favourably

inclin'd to give me an Instance of your Friendship in an Extraordinary manner. I esteem you as my Friend and therefore took the freedom to write this to You. By all means please to Supply me with 100,000 Cartridges and 25,000, Flints. I now send You the following Present Viz.

1 Turband of a high Price
1 Chaderzery D°.
1 Tamavarr &
1 Pataca

Please to receive these and send me an Answer.

Write me constantly of your Health.

What can I say more ?

No. 384.

To Nabob Annaverde Cawn Bahader. October 27th 1754.

I have receiv'd your Several Letters and have wrote you some short ones. I could not Answer yours fully before now because I met with many difficulties in transacting the several Affairs you mention'd. Antazey Punt will have communicated to you the Necessaries.

In your Letter you inclosed a Paper enumerating the several Particulars of the Agreement with Morarow I wish you had sent me an exact Copy of it. He has wrote me and sent a Paper containing some Articles said to be the Agreement between him and you desiring I would sign it but how can I trust to it ? I have return'd for Answer that I have not been inform'd of the particulars. In Affairs of such Consequence great exactness is necessary, therefore send it me Sign'd by your Codjee. He wrote me for a Detachment of Men and several Warlike Stores which I excused my self from sending, alledging the Monsoon and a Suspension of Arms with the French. He plunders the Country as he marches and I wish at last may return to his Country. I am glad Mahauphooz Cawn is arrived with you. I believe he thinks I wrote him in a disagreable manner, but you are sensible that my Regard for you made me hasten his March. Abdul Bob Cawn pays very little attention to my Letters. I shall be always pleased to see he Acts for your Interest. I have received from you the Saneds for the Kille of Poonamalee, the 7 Maganums, Covelong and Chingleput. T'was some Time before I could get from Abdul Bob Cawn Orders to the several Amuldars to deliver them, that they might be Let advantageously. [Antazey]Punt has the management of them. Manamungalum is farm'd at P. 14000, the Seven Maganums @ P. 20,000, the Kille of Poonamallee at P. 4200, Covelong at 8000, Changaleput is not yet let. The Saneds for the Protection of the Conjeverams and Trepassore as there is a Suspension of Arms are now of no use. The French having an Army in the Arcot Country and we none to oppose them induced me to agree to a Suspension of Arms for 3 Months, in which time our other Ships will Arrive, Provisions be put into Tritchenopoly and our Army be in readiness. I observe the Letter to you from the French Gover[r] and Your Answer. He has proposed to me to treat of Peace. It will soon appear whether he is Sincere. Be assured that whatever Steps I take will be for your happiness. By Antazee Punts advice 1000 Pagodas ℔ Annum is settled on the Killedar of Poonamallee's family.

Monsieur Dupleix will in a few days go to France. The new Governour as I mention'd before seems desirous of a Peace. I believe he would be glad of it upon such Conditions as were agreable to him, but these may be very unreasonable and not proper to be granted. I expect soon to have his proposals which I shall Communicate to you. I have Order'd the Affair of Meer Abdul Beheam to be enquired into that justice may take place.

Monsieur de Larche is Translator and Interpreter of the Persian Language at Pondicherry. I suppose you know the meaning when such Officers write to great Men. He is said to have got great Sums since the death of Nazar Jung. 'Tis not in his power to do you any Particular Service, for the Customs of Europeans are very different.

from those of Eastern Nations. The French have had a great many Men this Year. Their Ships are I believe all arrived. We Expect two more. By the Blessing of God We shall be Successfull. I hear nothing more from Delly than that the Emperor is dethron'd and his Uncle proclaim'd, from Golconda that Salabat Jung is distress'd for Money. Some say he intends to Visit the Carnateck after the Monsoon is over. Write me your Opinion of this. Mons^{r}. Bussey is at Rajahmundrum but collects the Rents very slowly. The Morattas have plunder'd the Country and are expected to return. Vizeram Rauze is greatly embarrass'd and I believe is now sorry for his Disagreement with Japher Alle Cawn. I suppose he has wrote you as he has me. The Ruin of those Provinces is entirely owing to his Ambition and ill Conduct. I have heard nothing of the Dalloway of Mysore since Morarow has left him. Communicate to me what you hear and let me hear constantly of your health that I may be easy.

No. 385.

To Abdul Bob Cawn. October 26th 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter acquainting me that with regard to the Suspension there is no doubt except concerning Outremaloor Salabacca &c^{a}. Districts of Tervatore & Corangoly. I have also received a Letter from the French Governour complaining to me that your People had attack'd and plunder'd Carangoly Villepuram and Tircolour. I must repeat to you that no disturbances of any kind are to be committed during the Suspension, all Persons are freely to enjoy what they possess at this Time, wherefore I desire you will give a Strict Order to your People not to molest the French neither in their Old nor new Possessions. You must look upon the Suspension as a very firm Agreement between all Parties; among Men of Virtue it is a great Disgrace to break an Agreement, therefore if your People contrary to your Orders should commit any manner of Disturbance, I shall be Obliged to send my own Troops to punish them. This is not a proper time to execute your Designs against Yachem Naigue. During the Rainy Season it is impossible for Troops & Guns to march, besides that also is Contrary to our present Agreement which is on no Account to commit any Disturbance in any Parts. It is therefore better that you let your Troops rest during the Monsoon, and endeavour to make the Country fruitful and plentiful [which will] be a Blessing to the People.

No. 386.

To Morareyraw. November 2^{d}. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter acquainting me of the great Friendship between us which gave me great Joy. By the Blessing of God it shall increase daily to the greatest Degree. With regard to the Districts granted to you by Nabob Anaverde Cawn Behauder which are now in the Possession of the King of Cudapah, I must repeat to You that out of my Great Friendship I have wrote to the Nabob for the Particulars of his Agreement with you which I have not yet received. You & the Nabob are Men of Strict Justice and there is no doubt but You will mutually perform your Agreement.

Concerning other Matters I refer you to the Verbal Account of Anenta Cherry who will acquaint you of the Particulars. Esteem me always as your best friend and write me Constantly of your Affairs.

No. 387.

To Abdul Bob Cawn. November 7th. 1754.

In order that the Troops may be able to take the Field and Act as Occasion may require immediately on the Expiration of the Suspension, I desire that you will give strict Orders to Your People to collect three hundred Draft Bullocks and One hundred and thirty Carriage Bullocks and send them to Fort S^{t}. David with all possible Expedition. As this is the Nabob's Business and is of great consequence, it must on no Account be Neglected or Delay'd but set about with all imaginable Diligence.

No. 388.

To the Killedar of Chetteput. Novem^r. 7 1754.

As a great Number of Draft & Carriage Bullocks will be necessary for the Troops to take the Field & Act with Vigour for the Nabob's Service as soon as the Suspension Expires, I desire you will give Orders to provide as many as You can and send them into Fort S^t. David with all Possible Diligence. I shall look upon this as a great Mark of your Friendship and your Fidelity to the Nabob.

No. 389.

From Nabob Anneverde Cawn Bahaudar. dated the 24^th. of October & Rec'd 3^d. Nov^r. 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your Letter dated the 9^th of October 1754 on the 19^th after a long expectation and observe the contents. I greatly approve of your agreement with the French and the Suspension of Arms for 3 months commencing the 11^th. of the said month. I must acknowledge that your aim is upon the welfare of the Country and happiness of the People which is owing to your honest Intentions. It becomes all the great Sardars to have the same Aim in their Mind. God hath made you so fortunate as to merit this good Name. By the Blessing of the Almighty I am in firm hopes that thro your best endeavours a Peace will be concluded. Agreable to your Direction I have wrote to the Killedars of Ranzengada, Tagada & Checkery as also to the Amuldars of Ternamel, Calcurchey, Yalavanasore and likewise to the King of Tanjore, Tondaman, Maraver Nalacotey, the Patans of Medera and Tinnevelly including the Polligars very pressingly requiring them not to go out of their respective Countries within the said three Months nor Resolve to fight any Person but on the Contrary to remain with full firmness in their respective Towns. I have likewise wrote to Abdul Bob Cawn to send strict Orders on this head to the Amuldars of several Districts, the Killedars and the Polligars of the Arcot Country and to observe the same on his part also. You was pleased to intimate in your Letter that you always regard my happiness as your own which Action remains firmly in my mind as a Stamp upon a Stone. Indeed you have already given an Instance thereof and still continue to do it. By the Blessing of God I have a great dependance on Your sincere friendship. Your kindness shall be Remember'd during life or as long as my posterity may continue in the world. May God grant you a long life attended with the same kindness and Goodness. You was pleased to mention concerning the Provisions to be procur'd. Your honour is very sensible of the distress'd condition I am in, in regard to the Expence. The English Sardars are mindfull of this Affair according to their Ability. You say that Morarey did not care to go to his Country according to his Agreement, but on the contrary he is disturbing the Circar's Country desiring me at the same Time to send him an express. It is a thing well known that the said Morarey is not punctual to his Agreement, notwithstanding I have wrote him what was Necessary and got the King of Tanjour and Monozey write Letters to him also. Concerning other matters, I refer you to Antazey Punt who will inform you very fully. Be assured of my inclination and write to me always of your health that I may Rejoice.

What can I say more?

In Aneverde Cawn's own hand.

I shall not forget your kindness as long as I live.

No. 390.

From Nabob Anaverde Cawn Bahauder. dat^d. the 13^th & Receiv'd the 30^th Oct^r. 1754.

It is a long time since I had the pleasure of receiving your Letters advising me of your health which makes me impatient to hear of it. I must inform you that

Nabob Salabat Jung Bahaudar was graciously pleased to send a Letter in confirmation of the Government in my name which was brought to me together with the Letters from Shanavaz Cawn and Mohan Laul Vakeel, Copies of which I have sent enclosed in Antazey Punt's Letter for Your perusal. Salabat Jung was also pleased to send an Express to the Mysorean Commanding him to cease his Animosity against me, A copy whereof was sent to me by the said Vakeel inclosed in his Letter and I Order'd a second Copy to be made of it which I have also sent to Antazey Punt. The same will give you a particular account of matters. Praised be God that the General was Arrived in Fort S^{t}· David with several thousand Soldiers which was owing to your good Intentions and endeavours. In all respects I lay under a great Obligation to your favour, my dependance is on you to dispatch all Affairs. For certain matters I refer you to the verbal Account of Antazey Punt. Be assured of my inclination and write to me always of your health and the Occurrences there that I may rejoice.

What can I say more ?

No. 391.

FROM SANAWASACHERY RENTER OF TERPETTY. REC'D THE 3^{D}· NOVEM^{R}· 1754.

Your Honour must be sensible of the Situation of Affairs with me by the continual Letters sent to you. I now send you Sunderzeys Bill for Star Pagodas 5000 on Account of the Ballance of the Kist due on Sept. feast. You'll therefore Order it to be paid to the Company and send a receipt for it. I shall send you the remaining part of the Ballance in full as soon as the remainder of the Gifts was converted into money. As your Honour continues your protection to me I am in hopes to be happy by your Favour. I request you'll continue your Countenance and favour to me in an extraordinary manner. I am determined to act according to your Agreement and to merit your favour by it. I have nothing further to Add.

P.S. I shall send you the remaining part of the Ballance due on Account of the Kist of the said feast in full by the Tasealdar whom You'll please to recall to your place.

No. 392.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN. RECEIVED THE 4TH NOV^{R}· 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your Letter advising me that a Suspension of Arms had been agreed on with the French for 3 Months and that I should Order the Amuldars not to molest their Guards, which I have according done. I suppose your agreement with them was for to let them remain in possession of the Districts seized by the late Governour of Pondicherry and that they do not presume to seize any thing newly out of the Circar Districts. I desire you will let me know the particulars of the Agreement that I may act accordingly. I lately desir'd you by a Letter to get Salavack. Wootermellore &c^{a} Districts of Tervatore, Carangoly and Conjeveram clear'd from the hands of the French, but I must now inform you that it is now three days since the People who belonged to the French took possession of Wookely and Aukore Magan under Tervalore together with 17 Villages belonging to Darnerpack which I thought fit to inform you of. I hope you'll send an express requiring them not to make any Incursions in the Districts of the Circar but on the contrary to restore what they had lately seized. Let them remain in possession of what they had formerly taken. In regard to Morarey, I have agreable to your Direction prevailed on the Killedar to agree to allow a certain Sum on Account of his invitation of which I had wrote to You very fully. Tho this Affair hath been finished in the manner aforesaid with the concurrence of the said Morarey, and part of the said Sum paid by the Killedars of Auraney, Polore &c^{a}· the others being ready at the same Time to pay their share, Yet the said Morarey did not desist from ruining & plundering the Country and Jagueers of the Killedars and from injuring the People.

His Troops are daily going round the different parts and are carrying away all the Cattle &c^{a}· they could meet with. As to Morarey he lies at Aureny and enlists People in his Service. By this it appears his intentions are bad. I must therefore request you'll soon consult a Method to put an End to His troubles. Let me know what is adviseable to be done.

What can I say more ?

P.S. I received a Letter from Mahomed Ameandey Cawn which I send inclosed in Antazey Punts Letter. I have been inform'd that you was Determined to go home to Europe, as soon as possible, which makes me very sorrowful. If one parts with such a good and favourable friend as you are, how great must his grief be? God only knows. Pray let me know with all possible speed whether it is true or false that I may then be clear of uneasiness. I sent Ragonadraw with Letters to dispatch some certain matters which I hope hath been represented to you thro' the means of Antazey Punt. I desire you'll dispatch them soon & send him away. Shew your favours in every respect in settling the Nabob's Affairs and those of mine. As you are always in my remembrance I hope you'll continue to write me of your health. I must repeat that I have agreable to your Direction wrote to the Amuldars in different Parts that Suspension of Arms hath been agreed with the French for 3 Months and that they should not oppose or molest their Guards and Towns which they had possess'd themselves of. The Amuldars out of a Regard to this agreement did not venture to act against it but the French (who it seems waited to embrace this Opportunity) are very busy in taking possession of the Circar districts. If we fight them it will be contrary to the Agreement made but if we be quiet, they will proceed freely to possess themselves of the Country. Thus this Affair was attended with a great Difficulty. It is therefore necessary for your Honour to write to the French to command their People to cease their present proceedings as it is not proper for them to Act as aforesaid since the Suspension hath been agreed on. However as your Honour is ingenious, you'll be pleased to do whatever may be conducive to settle the Circar Affairs & those of mine. I have nothing further to add.

No. 393.

From Mahomed Ameanedey Cawn Amuldar
to Abdul Bob Cawn.

I had the honour to receive your Letter advising me that a Suspension of Arms hath been agreed between the English and the French and that I should not molest their Guard in any Place or Act against them. I must inform you that the Enemy's People on hearing of the said Suspension made themselves perfectly easy and began to Visit every Village for this 10 or 12 Days with the French Flags in their hands and they have already taken possession of all the Villages within a Coass of the Fort of Caranguly and are daily proceeding forward to settle their management and Power. Since the district of Wootermellore was possess'd by the Enemy, The Town of Tervatore and the District of Mamadore remained only under Our Charge and as the other part of the Country is under the power of the French, A strong Dispute hath always susbsisted between their People and mine. They have now made themselves Easy as aforesaid and are sending their Flags & Toranams to every Village excepting the above Towns &c^{a}· besides which they made it their Study to go the Villages in which the Circar's People live with a Design to fix their Toranams there also. This day being the 20th of October I have received advice while I was writing this Letter that a Body of 250 Seapoys of the French was arrived in the Village of Calavalam belonging to the Jagueer of Caragat Palam within one Coass from this Place. I reside here at present, notwithstanding they are daily proceeding forward and are busy in taking possession of the remaining Villages and to hoist their Flags on every Town. I am Void of help in every respect. You may believe me that I am obedient to your Orders. They are daily encreasing their incursions in the Districts of Cavantamdalam and Salavack in the same manner and they declared to our People that they would not fight them. I suppose the present War is on

Account of the Country. Should they take possession of the same freely or according to their desire without fighting or Opposition, Is there any Occasion for them to fight. ? If the Affair was suffer'd to be carried on as aforesaid, the Circar's People cannot transact their Affairs. In short it seems impossible for the Circar's Troops who were Order'd to attend me here to support themselves. As You are my master I am ready according to your Direction. You'll therefore send an Answer as soon as Possible for I am impatient to receive it.

No. 394.

FROM KISHNAZEY PUNT TASEALDAR AT TERPETTY. DATED OCTOBER 28 AND RECEIVED THE 5TH OF NOVEMBER 1754.

I beg leave to inform your Honour that Lately some Bills of exchange had been sent at two different Times on Account of the Kist of September feast due to the Company which I suppose has been receiv'd and deliver'd to the Company. This Day Sanawasachery Renter [procured] Sunderzey Dava's Bill for Pags. 5000, on Gokal Terwady & sent it to your Honour. On your Receiving the same you'll be pleased to send a Receipt to the said Renter. If you be so good as to let me know by a Letter the Ballance remaining on Account of the said Kist after a Credit was given to the Sum which has been hitherto paid on that Account I shall get the same sent in full by a Bill from the said Renter. Please to let me know your Direction for my future proceedings.

No. 395.

FROM NIZAR MAHOMED KILLEDAR OF CHETPUT. DATED THE 2D AND RECEIV'D THE 7TH OF NOVEMBER 1754.

I had the honour to receive your favour in Answer to my Letter advising me that in Regard to my Jagueer as the Suspension of Arms was agreed for 3 months every one should remain peaceably in his respective Town and that after the Suspension should the Nabob possess himself of the Country he will reward every one According to his Desert. Let me take the Liberty to inform your Honour that agreable to your Direction in the Letter which you sent lately to me, I have order'd my People in every place not to molest any on any account. I esteem you as my Patron in every respect and my Dependance is upon the Company's Protection. My hopes are in you both in the time of Peace & War. By the Blessing of God as soon as the Affair is settled I am in hopes to get Zat Jagueer thro' your favour in Addition to my former Jagueer. I depend upon you in every Respect and desire you'll give your assistance in Time. Morarey lay encamped within 3 or 4 Coass from this Fort and plunder'd and ruin'd the Country. At length he marched towards Catal Ponganore in Order to go to his Country.

What can I say more ?

No. 396.

FROM THE COMMANDANT AT GINGY TO THE KILLEDAR OF CHETPET, DATED THE 24TH OF OCTOBER 1754.

It is a long Time since I receiv'd Letters from you acquainting me of your Affairs which gave me a great Surprize. Tho' you neglected to remember me, yet I esteem you as our own. There is no distinction between us. I must acquaint you that a Suspension of Arms for 3 Months was agreed lately between the French and the English. The Governour was pleased to send an Order to me, a Copy of which I have sent to your perusal. You'll act according to the said Order. Write me contantly of your Health.

What can I say more ?

P.S. The Substance of the said order is that you should let us know how far your Limits extend.

A Copy of an Order from Monsr. Godeheu Bahadar Nascret Jung agreable to the French King's Command.

I Charles Robert Godeheu Bahaudar Governour Nabob of Pondicherry Subah of the Decan Country &ca. as also Agent or Naib of the French King do hereby command all the Killedars, Commandants, Mensebdars, Jagueerdars, Phousdars, Amuldars, Jamadars, Seapoys, Inhabitants and others and likewise the Residents in the Camp and in the Forts including the Perganas &ca. under my Direction to pay due regard to this Order.

Whereas a Suspension of Arms was agreed for 3 Months between me and Thomas Saunders Esqr. Amean *alias* Trustee to the Affairs of the Subah and General and Governour of Madrass, for and in behalf of my People and all others in the Carnateck Country to be observed from the Day the contents of this Order was made known, I have order'd that there shall be no fight During the said three Months and do therefore hereby require all the Commandants in the Camp and in the Forts Parganas &ca. and likewise the People and those who bear Arms in our Service Whatsoever including the People which are under our Direction in the Carnateck Country not to undertake any thing which may induce them to fight in any Respect whatsoever and they are further required not to presume to begin a Skirmish in any shape nor to molest the Country Governours Zemeadars &ca. who are under the Direction of the said Governour of Madrass nor injure the Inhabitants or any other Poor People in his Country & they are further more required not to molest or injure the people under my Direction. Whosoever fails in this Agreement shall be deem'd quietly [guilty?] and be Answerable to the said Thomas Saunders Esqr. The People who may Act contrary to this my Order shall be Checked according to our Laws. Thus this Order was given in Pondicherry on the 4th. of September 1754.

No. 397.

From Abdul Bob Cawn. Rec'd the 13th Novr. 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that about 25 Cawneys of Ground in the Village of Pallaveram under the 7 Magans belonging to Terpasore Country, had been granted as Enam to Shaw Mahomed Backsha Phakeer it being excepted in the Accounts, but as your Honour's Renters have now put a Stop to it, I desire you'll order them not to seize that Phakeer's Ground in the manner they have done. In so doing You'll oblige me. Continue to write me of Your Health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

No. 398.

From Bangar Yachem Naick. Receiv'd the 13th Novr. 1754.

It was a great Joy and Satisfaction to me to receive your agreable Letter full of favours. I hope you'll continue to give me the same Satisfaction by writing Letters to me some times in the same manner with a Sincere affection and shew your favours in my Affairs according as Harayapa may represent them to you.

What can I say more?

No. 399.

To Nabob Anaverdy Cawn. November 1754.

A large Number of Draft Bullocks will be wanted for the use of the Army when the Suspension Expires. It is therefore proper that you dispatch Strict Orders to all Killedars, Amuldars &ca. in your Service to provide as many as possible and send them immediately to Fort St. David. As the Time is short, the greatest dispatch is necessary.

The same to the King of Tanjore.

No. 400.

FROM NABOB ABDUL MAZEAD CAWN OF CADAPA. RECEIV'D THE 14TH NOV. 1754.

I lately sent you a full Account of the Circumstances here by a Letter which I suppose you are Sensible of. I, out of Regard to your favour & Sincerity & to disturb cursed Morarey who commits ravages in those Parts, Attack'd the Fort of Gootey, which belonged to that wicked Disturber in Order that he might be puzzled in an Extraordinary manner with the thoughts of his own District, which has accordingly happen'd. Now he moves up and down in distress'd Condition like a Fish upon dry Land and intends to return from those parts with a full Preparation design'd for his wicked ends. It is therefore highly necessary to use a method against it before it may come to pass. I desire you'll write to Nabob Anaverdy Cawn Bahaudar to prepare himself for to punish and to Rob the said Morarey. On my part I shall soon finish the Affair here and then come to those Parts by [the] Way of Margasara which belongs also to that cursed and Wicked Fellow. At that Time by the United assistance [he] will certainly meet with a severe punishment. The [Care] of the Fort of Palam Cotah depends entirely upon your Aid and Assistance. When the Wicked Enemy laid a strict Seige to the said Fort, you was pleased to Raise it. I am certain that you'll without fail be mindful of it at present. I have sent for Sanawasaraw about some Urgent Affairs and hope you'll soon send him to me that I may return him back to you with a Verbal account of Matters. May happiness attend you.

No. 401.

TO ABDUL BOB CAWN. DATED 16TH NOVR. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter acquainting me of the Incroachments of the French upon the Circar's Country, in consequence of which I have wrote to the Governour of Pondicherry in the strongest Terms to Order his People to desist from committing any Disorders in future, and to deliver up all that they have taken Possession of since the Beginning of the Suspension. I have farm'd out the 7 Maganums. Antajee Punt should have inform'd me. I cannot now alter the Cowle but will enquire concerning the Enam You mention.

No. 402.

TO NIZAR MAHOMED CAWN KILLEDAR OF CHETTEPET. DATED 16 NOVR. 1754.

I have received your Letter acquainting me of your Strict Observance of the Suspension. This is as becomes a Man of Virtue and Honour and if the Enemy do otherwise they will meet their Reward. I esteem your Affairs as my own therefore write me constantly concerning them.

No. 403.

TO SANAWASACHERY RENTER OF TERPETTY. DATED 16TH NOVR. 1754.

I have receiv'd your Letter enclosing a Bill on Gocaul Terwady for 5000 Pagodas. Send me the full Ballance as soon as possible which will gain you favour and Happiness. When Accounts are finished I shall Recall the Tasseldar.

No. 404.

To the King of Tanjour. Novem$^{r.}$ 26 1754.

It is a long Time since I had the pleasure to hear of your Health. As the Time of Hostilities now draws Nigh, It is proper that We should consult together in what manner to begin our Operations in Order to secure all the Different Countries belonging to You and the Nabob, and to punish the Enemy in an exemplary Manner. The French have taken the Opportunity of the Suspension of Arms to recall the greatest Part of their Troops from Syringham to Pondicherry. As this may be with a Design to act Vigourously in the Arcot Country, I have thought it necessary to send for a part of our Army to join with the Kings Troops now at Fort S$^{t.}$ David in Order to disappoint their Designs. I have accordingly wrote for four hundred Seapoys. The Troops remaining at Trichenopoly are far Superiour to those left at Syringham so that all the Countries will be quite secure from any Disturbance of the Enemy. I hope by your Assistance the Fort of Trichenopoly will be plentifully stor'd with Provisions before the Suspension expires which will make the enemy despair of Accomplishing their Designs. Should their Army move again towards that Place, then ours can return with equal Dispatch and oppose them every way. It is proper that our whole Force should be in Readiness to take the the Field even before the Suspension expires, and Act with Great Boldness, that the Enemy may be intimidated. I desire that You will Order your Troops to be prepared accordingly to join the Army in Time.

Morarow is yet committing disturbance in these Parts and I look upon his Intentions to be very doubtful. The Nabob of Cudapah has promised to send his Troops to join ours and I doubt not but by our United Force the Enemy will be severely punish'd.

You may be assur'd that I will never forget your firm Friendship and that I will constantly be mindful of your Affairs.

No. 405.

To the Nabob of Cudapah. Novem$^{r.}$ 26th 1754.

I have receiv'd with great Satisfaction your Letter acquainting me of your Design to send Your Troops to join ours in Order to punish the Wicked Disturbers of the Country. This is a true Mark of your Friendship, Virtue and Bravery and I desire you will Accordingly dispatch a strong Body of Troops under the Command of a Brave and Experienced General with the greatest Expedition that they may join our Army before the Suspension of Arms expires which will be in One Month by which means they will be secure from any Disturbance on the Road and also will be in readiness to Act in proper Time.

I shall continually be mindful of your Affairs and look on them as the Affairs of a firm Friend. Health and Happiness attend You.

No. 406.

To Nabob Anaverdy Cawn. November 26th 1754.

Finding the Enemy has collected the greatest part of their Troops at Pondicherry which may perhaps be with a design to Act Vigorously in the Arcot Country, and their Force left at Syringam being a very inconsiderable number I thought it adviseable to Order a Part of our Troops to join those at Fort S$^{t.}$ David that so a Sufficient Number may be in readiness to oppose the Enemy whereever they may design to begin Hostilities. Accordingly I have wrote to Colonel Heron to send

four hundred Soldiers and fifteen hundred Seapoys. The Troops left at Trichenopoly will be sufficient to prevent the Enemy that Way from making any Attempts, and in case the French Army would march from Pondicherry to Syringham, then our Army also can return with the same Expedition to Trichenopoly. By this means all the Different Parts will be secured.

Morarow's Army lies still in this Country committing Disturbances and I think his Designs are doubtful. I have wrote to the King of Tanjour and to the Nabob of Cudapah who is a firm Friend to prepare their Forces to join ours. I desire that you also will write to them on the same Subject and represent Affairs to them in a Proper Light.

I have receiv'd your Letters acquainting me of the Saneds you have lately receiv'd from Salabad Jung. May God constantly heap fresh Honours on you and accomplish all your Desires.

No. 407.

To NAZEABULLA CAWN. NOVEMBER 28 1754.

Some time ago, I wrote to you concerning P. 1300 of three Images belonging to a Merchant of Madrass which was robbed at the Tank between Juveldenna and Manick Denna under your Jurisdiction but I am surprized that the said Sum was not yet Return'd. I must therefore desire you'll out of a strict friendship get the same paid into the hands of the bearer and send it. I need not Urge much to you on that Subject.

What can I say more?

No. 408.

To RAYAL PUNT RENTER OF PONNAMELLEE COUNTRY. NOVEM. 29TH 1754.

Having Occasion for Draught Bullocks for the Service of the Company, I require you to provide by collecting One two or more Bullocks out of every Village belonging to the Districts under your Management According to the Extent of such Villages or ability of the Inhabitants and send them hither. You shall be paid for them their Value. This is a Strict Order to you.

The same to Appazey Ninar Renter of Manamungalum and Chenglaput Countries & to Pushpenada Ninar Renter of Covelong.

No. 409.

To ABDUL BOB CAWN. NOVEMBER 30 1754.

The Commanding Officer at Arcot informs me that the Violent Rains have washed down great part of the Fortifications. You must be sensible that if they are not immediately repaired that the Enemy may take Advantage of the Weakness of the Place and the Consequence be very prejudicial to the Nabob's Affairs. 'Tis therefore necessary that you should immediately assist the said Officer with Workmen and Materials. You are wise. I need not urge more. Write me Constantly of your health.

No. 410.

To THE NABOB OF CUDDAPAH. DECEMBER 1ST. 1754.

Being inform'd that Morarow had committed Hostilities in your Country and having Advice that a Party of French Troops were on their March, to convince you of the sincere Regard and Friendship between us I have sent a Detachment of Brave

Men with Orders that if your Country be Attacked to join and Assist You. Inclosed is an Account of the usual Batta which You will be careful to discharge. Write me constantly of Affairs that I may be able to do You Service. Happiness attend You.

Account of the Batta.

Commanding Officer	15 Rupees	℔	Diem
Captain	6	D°	D°
Lieutenant	4	D°	D°
Ensign	3	D°	D°
Volunteer	3	D°	D°
Serjeants &c Diet			
Subadar	1	D°	D°
Jamadar	½	D°	D°
Haveldar	4	fanams	D°
Naicks	4	D°	D°
Seapoys	3	D°	D°

N.B. The above Party being Order'd back, this Letter was recalled.

No. 411.

NEWS FROM ROYAL PUNDAT, RENTER OF POONAMALEE. DEC^R. THE 2^D. 1754.

On the 30^th. of the last Month the French Party Arrived in Cootembacca 3 or 4 Miles from Poonemally Petta. Some of their People were come here with a Letter to the Officer in Poonamelly Fort concerning Provisions who permitted them to buy. As soon as they have bought the Provisions, he imprisoned them, it is not known what was his Reason to do so. On the 1^st they marched from Cootemback. It is said they will proceed on their March to the Northward by the way of Padapatem.

No. 412.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN. RECEIV'D 2^D DEC^R. 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your Letter advising me to send 300 Draught Bullocks and 130 of the Baggage ones to Fort S^t. David that they may be ready for the Service as soon as the Suspension expires. Let me take the Liberty to inform you that in the Limits of Arcot the Bullocks which are fit to draw Guns and those to carry Baggage cannot be procured. The former are to be seen in Nellore Country but the Inhabitants there wont sell them unless their Extream necessity obliges [them] to it. Notwithstanding I have wrote to Nazeabulla Cawn. The Bullocks that can be bought and sent hither shall be forwarded without fail. I am desirous to hear of your health. Continue to write to me.

What can I say more?

No. 413.

FROM NIZAR MAHOMED CAWN KILLEDAR OF CHETTPET. DATED THE 28^TH OF NOVEMBER AND RECEIV'D THE 2^D OF DECEMBER 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your Letter advising me that as soon as the Suspension expires there will be Occasion for a large Number of Draught & Baggage Bullocks and that I should procure as many as I can and send them to Fort S^t. David. Let me take the Liberty to inform your Honour that Morarey has entirely Ruined my Country, One third of which was Possessed by the French. Notwithstanding on receipt of your Letter in Order to forward the Nabob's Affairs, I have

sent People to different parts to enquire. It is well known that they are not to be purchased but it may be in our Power to hire them. However it shall be my endeavours to get as many as I can to be sent to Fort S^{t}· David but I cannot tell to whom and in what Month they should be sent. Please to let me know that I may act accordingly. May happiness attend You.

No. 414.

FROM RAYAL PUNDAT RENTER OF POONAMALLEE. — RECEIV'D THE 5TH DECEM^{R}· 1754.

I had the happiness to receive your Honour's Letter concerning the Bullocks which I shall enquire about and send as many as can be procured. The Bullocks which Till the Field in this Country are not strong enough to Draw Guns but they will be half as good as the Oyel Men and Cabady's Bullocks in Madrass. However, I shall procure the best to be sent to you. If you like them as fit for the Service, You may Order them to be kept, if not return them to the owner. Honour me with your Commands.

What can I say more?

No. 415.

FROM NIZAR MAHOMED CAWN KILLEDAR OF CHETTPET. — DATED THE 30 NOVEMBER RECED THE 5 DEC^{R}· 1754.

I Reced your favourable Letter which gave me joy. I shall remain steadfast in my own place agreable to your Direction but I must acquaint you that the French Party consisting of 400 Seapoys from Gingy Fort Arrived in Talad which lies within 4 Coass from my Fort. I cannot tell what may be the reason of their Arrival in the said Place. On account of the Excessive Rains the Fortifications here were washed down in three or four different Parts. I am at present busy in repairing it. I hope you will be so good as to let me know the Situation of Affairs a few days before the Expiration of the Suspension. Happiness attend You.

What can I say more?

No. 416.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDE CAWN BAHADAR. — DATED THE 7TH NOV^{R}· AND RECED THE 5TH DEC^{R}· 1754.

I lately sent an Answer to your Letter inclosed in that of Antazey Punts which I hope is come to your hands. Several Instances which you have and still continue to give me cannot be expected from others in this world. I never saw the like Industry and friendship in any place. I shall remember your kindness as long as I live. Some Time ago an Account of the Mysorian's Debt had been sent inclosed in Colonel Lawrence's Letter. When a Conference begins on that head should the Mysorians say that the Charges they have been at were very Great, you should observe that the Charges on my side was also very great amounting to Two Carouts of Rupees. Besides this as no injury was done to their Country by myself, I can lay my Claim on them who ruined the whole of the Carneteck Country which is well known to the People. Nabob Phearoz Jung, Nabob Auseph Senior and Nabob Salabat Jung have sent repeated orders [to] the Mysorians not to molest or trouble me on any Account Nabob Salabat Jung has again sent his Orders to the said Mysorians in the Strongest Terms. I must tell you that the Mysorian is a Zemeadar whose Duty is to assist in the Affairs of the Patcha. The Money which he lent shall be allowed in the Accounts of the Peishcash. He has collected double the sum I received of his as ℔

Bonds out of the Terchenopelly Country, several Districts of the said Country are still in his possession. Since it is so, his Demand of the Debt cannot by any means be valid. Should the French intreat You very much and then if it be to your liking you'll settle it in such manner as to pay Yearly two Lacks of Rupees towards the discharge of the said Debt according to the Bonds. When the Money was lent Nanzeraz was willing to receive his Money upon the same Agreement to wit If the affair be not dispatched the money should be repayed. I have inclosed a Copy of a Bond in Colonel Lawrence's Letter, which is a firm proof that the Mysorean has no demand of the Country or Town except his Debt. By the Blessing of God you are wise or sensible and consequently have a power in every respect. I am certain that you'll do whatever may be for the good of the Circars Affairs. For other matters I refer you to Antazey Punt. As I am desirous and in continual Remembrance of your good Dispositions, Write me constantly of your health that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

In Anaverdey Cawn's own Hand.

I thought fit to let you know the foregoing. You'll do whatever may be for the good of the Circar's Affairs besides which I have empower'd you to finish the Affair.

N.B. The Original Letter being Wet and the writing washed out in many places, it was made out as well as Possible.

No. 417.

To the Killedar of Chettepet. Decem^r. 7^th. 1754.

I have received your kind Letter advising of your Endeavours to procure the Draught and Carriage Bullocks wanted. Your Readiness to oblige me and to serve the publick shews that you are a True friend and a Man of Virtue. I desire you will Repeat your Orders concerning the Bullocks. On my part I shall always be mindful of your Affairs.

No. 418.

From Tervady SashaChela Chitty Merchant now Residing in Aureny Fort. Receb 8^th Dec^r 1754.

I beg leave to inform your Honour that at the Time of the French troubles in Madrass, I retired to Arcot and as the Killedar of Aureny was indebted to me in a Ballance as ℔ Account, I went there afterwards to settle it and Receive what was my Due, in which place I still Remain. My Uncle and Family as well as my Gomastah reside in Madrass under your favourable protection as usual. It is my Desire that as soon as the Ballance was recover'd to go to Madrass to wait upon your Honour. During my Stay in Madrass there came One Saudet Cawn Nagad Patan Horseman who formerly served Chanda Saib and presented a Petition to M^r. Morse then Governour thereby setting forth that he had Deposited in the hands of my Uncle Tervady Ball Chitty Pullicat Pagodas 20,000 and desiring him to get it from me. On this M^r. Morse required of him to prove Debt by Bonds or proofs. He Answer'd that he had no Bonds but that he had Witnesses namely Sambodoss and Kakeamroomey and they should be examined, upon which M^r Morse sent for Sambodoss & examined him concerning it. He declared in the manner following.

"This Patan was a Servant for 15 Rupees and it was not in his power to "acquire the Sum of 20000 Pagodas. He was a Lyar and the Complaint was entirely "groundless. I knew so far that he used Compulsion when in Arcot and was turned "out of the City on that Account."

Mr. Morse being convinc'd that he was an Imposter and thinking it not proper to suffer him to Live in Madrass Order'd that he should be sent out of the Town. At the time of the French troubles on my retiring to Arcot as aforesaid, the said Patan came there and preferr'd his false Complaints against me to Nabob Aneverde Cawn Bahaudar & Divan Sampetroy as before, who thereupon made a just Enquiry in that Affair, and finding it to be false made him ashamed and Order'd him to go out of the city. On this, [he] went away to Balagat. But now Severam Pilla Duba[sh] to the Commanding Officer at Arcot took another Patan with him whom he pretended was a Relation to the said Saudar Cawn Nagad and then he jointly with another Dubash Spoke some things to his Master and procured his Letter to Termelraw Killedar of Aureny. At length these two Dubashes came to Aureny and brought with them the said Patan in Company with another man of the Cayet Caste. They also brought with them 3 Dooleys & Ten Seapoys. These Dubashes required of the said Killedar either to Oblige me to pay the Patans demand or to send me in a Dooley to Arcot telling him at the same Time that it was your Honour's Orders in writing from Madrass. Thus they are pressing the Killedar to comply with their Request. Mr. Morse Examined this Affair and set [it] aside as false and Groundless as aforesaid. Paupa Brammey then chief Dubash and Linga Chitty must have been acquainted with it.

Mr. Morse may also remember. Divan Sampetroy must also remember the Examination of his Master Nabob Anaverde Cawn Bahaudar at Arcot who also set aside this to be a Cheat as above. If you be so kind as to enquire of these People you'll be convinced of the Truth. Thus the Commanding Officer at Arcot was perswaded by the Dubashes concerning this unjust Complaint and undertook this Affair and injuring me in the manner aforesaid without a just Cause. The said Dubashes came to the House in which I live at Aureny with a Resolution to carry me by force to Arcot. Your Honour is a Gentleman of a Charitable Disposition and endowed with Reason and Equity. In your Government the People in Madrass are happy and free from Molestations and Injury of the Dubashes, but the Servants who attend the Captains sent out to Command in the Forts abroad, are doing a great deal of Injury in the manner aforesaid. I beg your Honour will take this my Grievance into your Consideration and be pleased to write a Letter to the Commanding Officer in Arcot not to trouble me and you'll be also pleased to free me from the Insults of the Dubashes who are entirely ignorant of the People's manners and Qualities. They commit great Acts of Hostilities. I must desire you'll keep the above Particulars in your Mind and grant an Express Order to the End that I may preserve my Credit. Believe me to be at your service.

No. 419.

From Abdul Bob Cawn. Rec'd the 8 Decr. 1754.

Agreable to your Honour's Direction I [used] my utmost endeavours & with great Intreaty prevailed on the Army so as to detain it in the City of Arcot. I have been at the Expence of maintaining the Troops but no ways molested or assaulted the French Party who taking it to be a proper Opportunity for them began to take possession of or seize the Villages belonging to the Circar which I acquainted you before with, by repeated Letters. Since the Suspension of Arms was Agreed on, the French have possessed themselves of the Circar Districts, an Account of which had been sent us from Barkatulla Cawn Amuldar of Tervatoor under the Sign of Canogo, which I send herewith to you. I received repeated Advice that the French Troops were gone towards Maunredore and Conjeveram and are busy in plundering and ruining the Circar Villages. As they are thus committing Ravages during the Suspension, I desire you'll seriously consider upon it. I cannot oppose them because of your Letter. If any Accident happens to Tervatore (which God forbid) a great confusion [will] attend the Circar's management. I thought fit to acquaint you with the foregoing. Write to me what is adviseable that I may Act accordingly. By the Circumstances of

Affairs it seems to me that the French will not desist in their Act of Hostilities. By the Blessing of God the Affairs of the Circar have been hitherto dispatched with Success thro' your Assistance. In future my Dependance will be on your Favour. You may be assured that the Disturbance in this Country will not End as long as Nanzeraz and the French are in Union. I therefore think it adviseable that you'll Order 500 of the English Soldiers, and the same Number of Seapoys with 5 Guns and 2 large Mortars &c^a^ together with such Stores as may be fit for to take the Forts to join me. You'll Order these Men to Remain under my Direction and Obey me in every Respect in the same manner as they do You, in which case I shall enlist a Large Army and then with the English Troops and the said Stores begin my March by the way of Satagada in Order to take possession of the Forts & Countries belonging to Serangapatam. If this Step is taken, the Country will be taken as well as certain Sums of Money and a large Army may be collected, but in the interim should Nanzeraz be discouraged so as to return to take care of his Country, then the Nabob will pursue him jointly with Mahaphooz Cawn, Manozeyraw &c^a^ in which Case the Arcot and Terchenepelly Countries will be quite clear of the Disturbance. By the Blessing of God the Enemies will be either taken Prisoners or cut off, and the Nabob, myself and you who spent a Considerable Sum of Money be happy. The French will be Disabled to continue their Disturbance, Peace will attend the Country and happiness the People. If the Dalloway does not withdraw himself from that place By the help of God I shall exert my self so as to take possession of the whole of his Country and Forts and to plunder them to acquire a considerable Sum of Money by it and then to assist the Nabob with a large Army in order to take the Enemy Prisoners or to cut them off I hope therefore that you'll without fail Act only once agreable to my Advice. If I am employed in making Inroads into the Mysore country, Morarey cannot venture to come again to this Country, by Reason that his Country stands next with that of the Mysore. The Aphgans *alias* Patans who bear Malice and hatred to the Mysoreans and Morarey will join me, in which Case the Forts and the Country of Serangapatam can be taken and the Nabob myself and you be happy as aforesaid according to our desire. I enter'd into the above Resolution and began to enlist, but I expect to Receive your Answer. Let me know as soon as possible that I may provide my self with other necessarys and be in readiness. In Order to settle the Arcot Country I was determined to order a brave Soldier with a proper Army to remain near Tervatore and Chengalaput along with the English Party which you'll appoint to that purpose, Excepting what is abovementioned to go along with me, to prevent the French [from] Entering these Parts. I have set forth what I thought adviseable. Let me know your Advice that I may act accordingly.

What can I say more?

The Second Paper inclosed.

I received advice that Conaparangy set out from Pondicherry with a Party of 500 Soldiers & 2000 Seapoys with Guns &c^a^ and arrived near Conjeveram. They gave out that they were going to Metchlepatam by the way of Nellore, but it seems their Intention is to embrace an Opportunity of taking the Fortress of Nellore. I suppose you are acquainted with a true State of this Affair. If their Intention is true, I hope you'll send assistance to Nazeabulla Cawn that the Enemy may be disappointed in their wicked Designs.

No. 420.

From Abdul Bob Cawn. Recd' the 10 Dec^r^ 1754.

I write this to acquaint your Honour that the Gady or Castle of Chercoor belong'd to the Phousdar of Nellore from the Time of my Father but now Abdul Mazead Cawn's People are molesting the same contrary to the usual Custom pretending that it belonged to the Phousdarship of Camman, and they insist on my delivering the said Gady to them. I wrote several Letters to the said Abdul Mazead Cawn

in the best manner I could upon this Business but it was to no purpose. I therefore thought fit to acquaint you with it hoping that you'll speak to his Vackeel in your place in a pressing manner on this Head and likewise write a Letter to him advising him not to molest they [*sic*] Gady contrary to the usual Custom and send it to me that I may forward to him. It is not adviseable to suffer any Disturbance or invasion [*sic*] in the District of Nellore contrary to Salabad Custom. Please to write the Letter as soon as possible and send it to the End that he may desist in his present proceedings which he has begun as above.

What can I say more?

No. 421.

FROM KISHNAZEY PUNT TASEALDAR AT TERPETTY. DATED 6TH AND RECED 10TH DECR. 1754.

When lately the Bills of Exchange were sent to the Company, I desired your Honour by a Letter to let me know the Ballance of the Kist of September feast but I have not had the happiness of receiving an Answer. I enquired of Sanawasa Cherry Renter who said that he owed a Ballance of Pags. 4000 and then he drew out an Account Current and gave it and he has Accordingly procured a Bill of Sunderzey Savacar on Gokala Tervady for the said Sum to be paid in Star Pagodas and sent it to the Company. As soon as this Sum is paid, Your Honour will send a Receipt to Sanawasa Cherry. The Account Current shall be presented to Your Honour by Sanawasa Chery's Vackeel.

No. 422.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDE CAWN BAHAUDAR. DATED 25 NOVR. & REC'D 10 DECR. 1754.

I Lately sent a full Account of Mahomad Cawn Barkey &cs. Aphgansand Maravers to Antazey Punt. I sent repeated Orders to the Maravers not to think of fighting the Aphgans but on the Contrary to remain peaceably till 3 Months. Notwithstanding they did not desist in their Wicked Proceedings. They joined Coobsaib Jamadar belonging to the Mysorian and attacked the Aphgans and took possession of Ternavelly Country. My Orders to them were of no Effect. After they possessed themselves of Ternavelly Country, they went and beseiged the Fort of Medara and are in readiness to Fight. I received repeated Letters from the Aphgans desiring me to send Assistance which is not in my power to do without your Favour. As the said Coobsaib Jamadar of Mysore stays with the Maravers as aforesaid, Colonel Heron has wrote a Letter to the French Sardar in Seringam, who return'd an Answer and told him that he will on no Account suffer the like Action to be done and that the [said] Coobsaib Jamadar was a Servant to the Maraver and added that he was neither in the Service of the French nor the Mysorian promising at the same Time to join his Troops to those of the English provided they are sent out to punish the Maravers. As the French and the Mysorian have no concern with this Affair we may be at Liberty to enter into a Method to take possession of Ternavelly Country &cs. and to punish the Maravers. This is a proper Opportunity to do it. If they possess themselves of Medara Fort (which God forbid) it will lead the Matter in length. You'll therefore out of your sincere Friendship be pleased to Order 3 or 4 hundred Soldiers out of the English Detachment here that I may then send a proper Sardar along with the said Troops and those of the Circar, Tanjore and Tondaman. On the Approach of these Troops in those Parts, the Aphgans will join them in which Case the Maravers will be punished and the Country of a great Value be possess'd of. I must observe to you that We cant Meet with the like Opportunity in future to do this Business. It is highly necessary to shew you favour in this Affair.

What can I say more?

In Anaverde Cawns own hand.

It is an urgent Affair and it will be a difficult matter to meet with the like Opportunity in future to possess Ourselves of so large a Country. By the Blessing of God this Affair will be settled on your bestowing a small favour towards it.

No. 423.

To Abdul Bob Cawn. December 13th 1754.

I received your several Letters and obser[ve] the Contents. You mention'd concerning the Disturbance of the French and their Movement towards Conjeveram. I shall write about it to the French Governour who will be Obliged to make it good if any thing is taken by them since the Suspension of Arms. You mentioned also concerning an Expedition against the Mysore Country. If I order my Troops to Accompany you to the said Country agreable to your Request, still it can't be in your power to possess yourself of the same at Once as you intend. Besides this, should my Troops Join you on this Occasion, the French on their Part will join their own to the Mysorians in which case both Armies will be Obliged to fight there to no purpose. If so it will be impossible to succeed in your Aims. It is therefore highly necessary to consider thoroughly upon this Affair. Happiness Attend You.

What can I say more?

No. 424.

From Royal Pundat Renter of Poonemallee Country. Recd 17 Decr. 1754.

Your Honour was pleased to Order me to send some Bullocks, which I could not send you before now by reason of the Continual Rain. I have enquired in every Village of this Country and got about 40 Bullocks of a large Size which I have now sent to you. The Bullocks which till the ground in this Country are of a Small Size. If these are Employed to draw Carts or Carriages they can't [do] it, but on the Contrary they will die. The Bullocks which may be procured in Nellore are only fit for to Draw Guns and Wagons. The Bullocks of this Country can be of no Service. It will be in vain to buy the Bullocks here. We have had a great deal of Rain this Year, which Caused the Ground to be covered with Dirt & Morass—it will take up a Month before it dries even if the Rain Ceases from this Day. If a Letter is wrote to Nellore, The Bullocks of a large Size can be sent from thence in 15 or 20 Days. Your Honour is Ingenious. I shall not neglect willfully to serve the Company. I shall be ready to Act agreable to your Orders, Please to take it into Your Consideration and send your Directions for my future Proceedings.

No. 425.

From Nabob Anaverde Cawn Bahadar. Dated 6th and Recd 19th Decr. 1754.

I had the pleasure to receive your agreable Letter Dated the 13th of November on the 5th of December. You was pleased to mention concerning the Draught Bullocks but I must tell you that it is impossible for the Killedars and Amuldars to provide us with them at this Juncture. I have therefore wrote a Letter very pressingly to Abdul Bob Cawn requiring him to send to Nellore & Sarvapelly and deliver about 200 Bullocks to you in Madrass. In Order that the business might be dispatched with more Care, I have also wrote a Letter to Nazeabulla Cawn in the strongest terms and sent it inclosed to you as well as the other Letter. Please to forward them to Abdul Bob Cawn whom You'll write what is necessary on that Head and get the Bullocks as soon as possible. Be assured of my inclination to see you and write to me always of your health and wellfare.

What can I say more?

No. 426.

FROM ABDUL BOB CAWN. RECED 23D. DEC. 1754.

The Village of Noombel under Trepasore Country hath been continued towards the Maintenance of Meer Abdul Raheam in the time of my Deceased Father according to Mahaphoos Cawn's Phirmaund and agreable to Nizam's Saned. It was hitherto continued to him in like Manner, he has also Obtained a Saned under my Seal agreable to that. I must inform you that the Revenues of the said Village was not included neither in [the] Circar's Account nor in that of the Magans which had been Mortgaged to You. I received advice that your People lately have seized that Village, which makes me desire you'll order them not to put a Stop to it, but on the contrary to assign it in his Possession, that he may attain to his just Right. The said Meer Abdul Raheam is a Poor Man, it is therefore Necessary for you to shew him your favour,

What can I say more?

No. 427.

TO THE KING OF TANJORE. DECMR. 25TH 1754.

I have wrote you several Letters but it is long time since I have had the pleasure to hear of your health. I must inform you that We are endeavouring to establish a [Peace]. Several Letters have pass'd between the Governour of Pondicherry [on] this Occasion. I shall be able very shortly to advise you of the Particulars. If the War continues We must endeavour to conquer the Enemy. The time when the Suspension will expire draws [near]. It is necessary your Troops should be ready to join Colonel Heron that the Enemy may not take any advantage. The French have at present the greatest part of their Force now at Pondicherry. We have a Large one at St. David. Should they continue theirs in this Province you should send part of your Horse to join ours. If they detach theirs to Trichenopoly We shall do the same. Morarow, who by my last Intelligence is 80 Miles beyond Arcot, I am told will pay no Regard to his Agreement, but intends to Return. Could we have him in the Nabob's Interest it would greatly distress the Enemy. Write me your Sentiments how this may be Effected that I may pursue the proper measures. I am Ardently desirous of hearing of your health.

No. 428.

TO ABDULL BOB CAWN. DECR. THE 25TH 1754.

I have receiv'd your several Letters and observe the contents. I have represented to the French Governour the Infringement of the Suspension by taking the several Villages you mention. The Affair will be examined into and redress'd. I don't doubt but what I have already wrote you concerning an Expedition into the Mysore country will be satisfactory. I expect hourly to hear from Abdul Mazead Cawn when I shall write him concerning the Castle of Chercoor therefore make yourself easy, The Nabob has sent me an Order on you and Nizabulla Cawn for 200 Bullocks. I am in hopes I shall not need to trouble you on this occasion. The Commanding Officer of Changleput has strict Orders not to commit any Disturbances. You know these Bullocks are for the use of the Nabob and the Circar's Affairs would be ruined if they were not furnished. No body by choice would give any, and if one or two be taken from every Town according to its bigness there is no reason for Complaint, You mention that you intended to send a brave Sardar with your Horse to Conjeveram. I approve this. I must inform you that several Letters have pass'd between the French Governour and me concerning an Accommodation. If it does not succeed the Suspension will soon Expire and War commence. We have a large Force at St David, if join'd by your horse they might take great part of the Enemy's Country and by that means your Troops would be paid and the Enemy distress'd. This is what I advise You to do. Write me immediately your intention that I may be on a Certainty. Happiness attend you.

No. 429.

FROM NABOB ABDUL MAZEAD CAWN OF CADAPAH. RECEIVED 25TH DECR. 1754.

It is a long Time since I had the pleasure to receive your Letters which makes me in expectation to hear of your health. I have sent for Sanawasaraw and hope he is set out by this time to come hither. I in order to disturb or strike a Terror in Morarey (who [was] committing Hostilites in those Parts with a full firmness) was resolved to plunder his Country and accordingly I lay encamped against the Fortress of Yalkore &ca Places of Strength with a view that he might thereby be puzzled so as to leave that Country. By the blessing of God that cursed fellow Morarey has now directed his march this way to be punished. He shall surely meet with his deserts by falling a Prey to the sharp Sword of my brave Warriors of the Victorious Army. I have now marched from the place of my encampment with a resolution to go towards Jagada by the way of Camneer and Gaut. If any thing happens hereafter I shall write it to You. I must desire you'll in Regard to the friendship be pleased to exert yourself to get Chellumbrum restored which I shall esteem as a very great Service. Continue to write me of your health that I may rejoice.

No. 430.

TO NABOB ANNAVERDE CAWN. DECR. 25TH 1754.

I have receiv'd your two Letters and observe the Contents. I have represented what you mention concerning Hostilities committed on Madura &ca Countrys to the French Governour. He disapproves it, promises redress and has wrote [to the] Dalloway and Commanding Officer. If they pay due attention 'tis well, if not I shall give the necessary Orders to Colol Heron. The Bond you mention concerning the Mysore Dalloway was not in Major Lawrence's Letter. Antajee Punt has deliver'd [me] the Account which I suppose is what you mean by the [Bond]. It does not amount to 10 Lack of Chuckmen [*sic*]. When this Affair comes to be settled the Dalloway will deliver his also when [what] is reasonable only will be allowed. We are endeavouring to come to an Accommodation with the French at Pondicherry. I shall soon be able to advise you whether we succeed or not. If we dont it will be prudent that you remove your Family from Trichenopoly. This is what I have often advised. I have wrote to the King of Tanjore and you should endeavour to hasten the Junction that the Troops may be ready to act when the Suspension ceases which will be shortly. Morarow who by our advice is 80 miles beyond Arcot 'tis said will return again. Is there no way of engaging him in your Interest? It would greatly distress the Enemy. Write me your Sentiments and let me hear constantly of your health that I may rejoice.

No. 431.

TO TERWADY SASHA CHELLA CHETTY MERCHANT AT AURNEY. 26 DECR. 1754.

I have received your Letter representing the injurious Actions of the Dubash of the English Commandant at Arcot. It is my intention that Strict Justice shall be done to all, wherefore I have wrote to the said Commandant in the Strongest Terms to enquire into the Affair and send the Dubash to Madrass if he finds him Guilty.

No. 432.

FROM NABOB ANNAVERDEY CAWN BAHAUDAR, DATED 13TH & RECED 27TH DECR. 1754.

By the Blessing of God his Majesty was graciously pleas'd to send a Phirmaund thereby confirming me in the Government of Arcot and Trichenopolly and shewing great Favours, which I received together with Letters from Nabob Vazearel

Mumuleck Ausephjah, Mansheal Mumaleck Yahaya Cawn and Baboozey Bahaudar. This has encreased my Honour, Dignity, Strength and encouragement. May God grant you and me Joy on this Occasion. I have enclosed Copies of the Phirmaund and Nabob Vazearel Mumaleck Auseph Jah's Letter &c^{a} for your perusal, by which you'll be fully convinc'd of the favours of the illustrious Court of his Majesty towards me. All this was oweing to the Blessing of God and your favourable Assistance to me. I am desirous to see you. Write to me always of your health and Wellfare that I may rejoice.

What can I say more?

In Anneverde Cawn's own hand.

The Mogul seldom sends his Phirmaund to any. On my Part I received several Phirmaunds. All this proceeded from your favour, as it was not in others power to receive them. Consider with what favour the Phirmaund was wrote. I return'd thanks to God for it.

No. 433.

A Copy of a Phirmaund from Abdull Audel Azeazedeen Aulemgeer Patcha Gazey New Mogull of Delly to Sarazel davala Aneverde Cawn Bahaudar Shahamet Jung Dated the 15th of Moon Shaval Hegra 1167 and in the first Year of his glorious Reign answering the 5th of August and receiv'd the 26th of Moon Sapher which is the 12th of Dec^{r}. 1754 and this Copy is attested with the Seal of a Caudy.

You who are worthy of my favours and kindness being in hopes of the Royal favour know.

Whereas by the Grace of God, on my Happy or sacred Accession to the Throne of the Kingdom it hath obtain'd Splendor and Lustre, Avedoot Rawn Vackeel to Royal Durbar has represented to me through the means of those [that] attend my Court of heavenly Grandeur Your true regard & sincere attachment. I out of my Royal favour attended with an intention to make my Camarad's *alias* true Servants happy, not only confirm you in the Employment of the Divanship & Phousdary of Arcot as well as in the Killdary and Phousdary of Trichenopoly in the same manner as it hath been usual, but make you trust worthy by sending this Gracious and Effective Phirmaund of the highest dignity. You should therefore return your thanks for this inconceivable favour shewn you and send a proper Present on Account of the Accession to the Throne together with the Peish Cash which hath been stipulated to my Court of heavenly Grandeur. You'll with a full firmness be mindfull in managing the Affairs of your Jurisdiction. You may Observe that the good Services which you may do will be liable to procure you a good reward.

No. 434.

A Copy of a Letter from Munsheyal Mumaleck *alias* Prime Secretary of Court namely Yahaya Cawn to Sarezeldavala Aneverdy Cawn Bahadar Shahamet Jung and attested with the seal of a Caudy.

I write this to inform you that at this Time of Joy the Throne of the Kingdom obtain'd it's splendor & Lustre by his most Sacred Majesty's (who is a Caliph of God's) accession to it. Avedoot Roya Son to Roy Subahanroy has represented to his most sacred Majesty thro the means of those who belong to the Court of heavenly Grandeur, your true regard and attachment agreable to which his Majesty's Phirmaund was sent to you in confirmation of the Employments which hath been entrusted with you. You should therefore out of Gratitude and Fidelity act agreable to the Contents of that High Phirmaund. By the Blessing of God whatever Affair you may write to the said Avedooty shall meet with success in a handsome manner.

No. 435.

A Copy of a Letter from Raza Baboozey Bahaudar to Sarazeldavala Aneverdy Cawn Bahaudar, Shahamet Jung, attested with the Seal of a Caudy.

I write this to inform you that Avedootroy Son to Subahanroy maintains a strict Friendship with me from a long Time. There subsisted a particular Harmony far exceeding Brotherly Affection between me and his said Father. His Majesty has not yet sent his Phirmaunds to any Great Men except the Nabob of Bengal and Saphder Jung, notwithstanding the said Avedootroy took an Opportunity to represent to his Majesty your true regard in a proper light & procured his illustrious Phirmaund in your Name and sent it to you. By the Blessing of God the said Avedootroy is esteem'd and has a firm influence with his Majesty Nabob Vazearal Mumaleck Bahaudar, and the People of his Majesty in the same manner as his Father had, or better than him. It is therefore proper and adviseable for you at this Juncture to entrust your Affairs and Negociations at Court with him in which Case they will all meet with success in a Compleat manner. Make no Distinction between us and continue to write me friendly Letters that I may rejoice.

No. 436.

A Copy of a Letter from Nabob Vazearel Mumaleck Auseph Jah Nizamel Muluck Bahaudar Phatta Jung Seapasalar to Sarazeldavala Aneverdy Cawn Bahaudar Shahamet Jung Dated 20th of Moon Zeahaja in the first Year of his Glorious Reign answering the 13th of October and Received the 26th of Moon Sapher Hegra 1168 which is the 12th of December 1754, this Copy is attested with the Seal of a Caudy.

I write this to acquaint You that at this time of Joy his Majesty Abdull Audell Azeazedeen Aulemgueer Patcha succeeded to the Throne of the Kingdom to it's Splendor and Lustre. He is a Prince endowed with Courage, Valour, Justice and Equity attended with an intention to support the World, Goodness, Strength and other Virtues which belong to Monarchs. This has not only reform'd the Customs of the old World but bestowed Joy, Peace and happiness to the People who rest satisfied. Praised be God to whom I return repeated thanks for through his Blessings his Majesty was pleased to grant me the Menseb of the Viziership and power to settle and Regulate Affairs. May God grant me and you who are old Well Wishers Joy on this Grand Preferment. By the Blessing of God, the time for true Servants to obtain their Desire is now come according to the wishes of the well wishers. You should make yourself easy in every Respect. Be assur'd of my attention to You. By the help of God I shall do what may be conducive to your promotion and Interest. Avedootroy Son to Roy Subahanroy has procured his Majesty's Phirmaund in your name thro' my means, which will come to your hands. You should Act agreable to the Contents thereof. If you write about any of your Business to the said Avedootroy, it shall meet with Success.

No. 437.

From Abdul Bob Cawn. Receiv'd 31st Decemr. 1754.

I receiv'd a Letter from Hassen Mohayedeen advising me of the Death of Haraset Cawn which I send enclosed. I receiv'd true Intelligence that the Widow of the said Haraset Cawn has sent for the French Troops from Pondicherry thro' the means of Razally Cawn, Son to Chenda Saib. It is to be Observed that the said Razally Cawn is her real Brother. I must inform you that the said Fort is a good One and it is in the Bounds of Carpanat Gaut and the best in the Carnateck Country. Should the French enter this Fort it will be attended with very ill consequences. Future Consideration and Care on this Occasion induced me to Detach Mahomed Phakeredeen with my Troops and to advise You of it. Take this Affair into your

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serious Consideration and send a proper Detachment to assist the Circar's Army & to take possession of the said Fort which will not only be attended with a great Benefit but will afford a great Joy to the Nabob. By the Blessing of God and your favour, if that Fort is taken it will be very profitable and we shall be perfectly easy. On receipt of this Letter you'll send a proper Detachment without any manner of Delay.

What can I say more?

In Abdul Bob Cawn's own hand.

I receiv'd repeated advice that the Widow of the said Haraset Cawn has wrote her Brother Razally Cawn Son to Chenda Saib as aforesaid to send the French Troops & that she has also wrote to Morarey for Assistance. It is therefore better for the English Troops to march to secure that Fort which belongs to the Patcha as soon as possible. There is a Disagreement in the said Fort at present. Several People have sent their Letters to me. I thought fit to give you a full Account of this Affair. If the said Fort is taken, it may be deem'd lucky on the Nabob's side. I have nothing further to add.

A Letter enclosed.

On Thursday the 27th of December 1754 at four O'Clock in the morning Haraset Cawn departed this Life. I thought fit to acquaint you with it hoping that you'll do what you may think proper regarding the Affairs here. It is no ways adviseable to delay this Affair. The Enemy from all Parts is making an attempt against it. The sooner You consult a Method in this Affair the better. Communicate it to the Nabob. I have an Ardent desire of Paying a Visit to you. Long Life and happiness attend You.

No. 438.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn. the 31st. Decr. 1754.

This is to acquaint You that I have enter'd into Articles with the French and prolonged the Suspension of Arms untill the Receipt of Answers from Europe. I will write you the particulars of the Agreement in two or three Days. At present I must only desire that you will give Strict Orders that no Hostilities be committed by your People.

The same to the King of Tanjour.